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BRITISH OCCUPY MOSUL: DEVELOPMENTS IN SYRIA: VICHY CABINET'S DECISION

THE BRITISH HAVE OCCUPIED MOSUL, ACCORDING TO A REUTER MESSAGE FROM LONDON.
THE OCCUPATION WAS IN AGREEMENT WITH THE IRAQ GOVERNMENT.
Mosul is 90 miles from Kirkuk, the terminal of the oil pipeline and the district produces a special kind of lubricating oil that Germany needs most. Mosul is 65 miles from Syria.
After serious rioting in Baghdad on Monday, the Iraq authorities declared martial law and order was restored.
THE IMPROVEMENT IN THE SITUATION IN IRAQ LEAVES BRITAIN'S HANDS FREE TO DEAL WITH ANY DEVELOPMENTS IN SYRIA WHERE WORLD INTEREST IS NOW CENTRED.

Danger To Cyprus, Patent Threat To Syria Menacing

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter)—The critical tone regarding events in Crete is still evident in editorials though comment has moved on to the danger threatening Cyprus and Syria.
After urging Government to give a full account of the Battle of Crete at the earliest possible moment, the DAILY TELEGRAPH writes: "THE DANGER TO CYPRUS AND THE PATENT THREAT TO SYRIA GROWS MORE MENACING EVERY DAY. LET US NOT BE CAUGHT NOT READY AGAIN."

EX-KAISER DIES AT 82 IN EXILE

WILLIAM II, who as Kaiser, led Germany the last time she plunged into war, died yesterday morning in exile in Doorn, Holland, where he had been living for the past 23 years.
A Reuter message from Berlin, quoting an Amsterdam despatch, states that the ex-German Emperor died at 11.30 o'clock. He was 82.
Grandson of Queen Victoria, he was the chief instigator of Austria issuing the ultimatum to Serbia in 1914 which led to the European War.
Up to the last minute he refused to believe that Germany would be beaten and it was with reluctance that he agreed to abdicate.
He visited London for the unveiling of the Queen Victoria Memorial.
Present when he died were his wife, Princess Hermione, his daughter the Duchess of Brunswick, Prince Louis Ferdinand, his grandson, Prince Henrietta, and the wife of Prince Francis Joseph and another of his grandsons.
He is to be buried in Doorn.

FIRST PLANE LOST

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter)—With six persons on board, including the pilot, a passenger plane has been lost on a flight between the Scilly Isles and Penzance (Cornwall) which should have taken only 20 minutes.
The plane belongs to the Great Western and Southern Airlines who have never lost a plane on this route before.

Hood Survivor's Story

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter)—"I am ready to go back at the first opportunity," declared SIGNALMAN BRIGGS, one of the three survivors of H.M.S. HOOD who has now arrived home in Derby.
He and his companions were in the water three hours before being rescued and taken to Iceland where they spent two days in hospital.
"We were becoming exhausted and were giving up hope when we were found," said Briggs. "I got off the lightest of the three with only a few bruises and scratches. We swallowed a lot of salt water and they had to use artificial respiration to get it out of our lungs."
Briggs is 18 and joined the Navy when he was 15. He has been in the Hood for nearly two years.

BEST ARMY LINGUIST

NEAR EAST EXPERT
APPOINTED AS
G.O.C.-I.N.-C.

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter)—The Gazette announces the appointment of LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR JAMES MARSHALL-CORNWALL, K.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., as General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, dating back to April 14.

No hint is divulged of his command.

April 14 was the date on which Lieut.-Gen. Marshall-Cornwall, a Near East expert, returned to Egypt from Turkey where with other British officers he was engaged in talks with the Turkish General Staff.

He is regarded as one of the ablest generals in the Army.

SECRET COMMAND

One comment says that his command is probably being kept a secret as the Germans know his methods and his mentality—he was the military attaché in Berlin from 1928 to 1932.

It may be that he has been appointed to a command which will only come into active existence in case of certain war developments.

Lieut.-Gen. Marshall-Cornwall is 54 and is regarded as "the best linguist in the Army." He knows eight languages.

TRAGIC DEATH OF NAVAL ATTACHE

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter)—The United States Assistant Naval Attaché, Lieut.-Commander Jones, is now revealed to have died in London on Monday.

It was reported that he stabbed himself with a bayonet on board a ship.

An inquest was held on Tuesday and the Press were not admitted.

IT IS REPORTED THAT THE VICHY CABINET, AFTER ITS MEETING ON TUESDAY, HAS DECIDED TO DEFEND, SINGLE-HANDED, SYRIA AND TUNISIA AGAINST ANY POSSIBLE BRITISH ATTACK BUT IT IS PROBABLE THAT FULL GERMAN SUPPORT WILL BE GIVEN.

Admiral Leahy, United States Ambassador in Vichy, yesterday saw Marshal Petain.

General Weingand, who was present at the meeting of the Vichy Cabinet on Tuesday, has been placed in charge of a general scheme for the defence of the Vichy empire.

Units of the French Air Force, retrained with Germany's permission, have been sent secretly to Syria and Tunisia.

WRONG ASSUMPTION

It would be wrong to assume that all preparations and activities in the region of Syria are all French and German, writes Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent.

Remembering the Italian desert of Libya, one could hardly expect the Axis Powers to leave the defence of this important centre to one man, and a Frenchman at that.

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Demand For Smaller War Cabinet Likely At Forthcoming Debate On British Withdrawal From Crete

WHEN PARLIAMENT REASSEMBLES, IT IS CERTAIN THAT THERE WILL BE A DEBATE ARISING FROM THE BRITISH WITHDRAWAL FROM CRETE, in which Mr. Churchill, the Prime Minister, and Mr. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, will participate, learns Reuter's Parliamentary correspondent.

The evacuation of Crete has crystallised some currents of critical opinion, notably the DEMAND FOR A SMALLER WAR CABINET AND RUTHLESS WEEDING OUT OF ANY ADMINISTRATORS WHO HAVE NOT ESTABLISHED UNCHALLENGEABLE EFFICIENCY.

The debate will therefore likely range over many aspects of the demand that Britain proceed with newer and quicker methods towards the goal of final victory which the entire country is resolved to attain.

There will also be the demand for simplification of the Government itself, simplification of control, production and machinery.

Other matters that will be demanded are:

1—The conservation of industry as a whole including Labour;

2—Subordination of everything else to the production and delivery of machines and yet more machines, even if cereal imports have to be reduced for the purpose and bread rationed;

3—Far stricter and wider rationing; and
4—Much more intensive drive for home production of food and other essential supplies.

Of all these things, the outstanding ones in the minds of members of Parliament are those relating to the structure of the Government and production, especially Labour.

The Prime Minister has several times rejected the idea of a smaller War Cabinet, but the simplification of Government in war, by some means or other, will be pressed very hard.

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COMPLETE NATIONAL PLANNING NOW TO FACILITATE ULTIMATE TRANSITION TO PEACE URGED IN MEMORANDUM BY LABOUR

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter)—After the almost unanimous vote recorded yesterday in favour of all-out fight until victory, today's session of the ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE BRITISH LABOUR PARTY began a discussion on another memorandum tabled by the Executive, outlining Labour's peace aims.

The memorandum urges the most complete national planning now to facilitate the ultimate transition to peace, declares "intolerable" the mass unemployment, demands removal in distressed areas and declares that in peacetime, as well as in wartime, finance must be the servant and not master of political policies.

During elections of the new Executive, which preceded the debate, MISS SUSAN LAWRENCE, former member of the Macdonald Administration of 1929, was among three old members of the Committee who lost their seats.

THE LABOUR PARTY EXECUTIVES' MEMORANDUM ON PEACE AIMS WAS ENDORSED ON CARD VOTE BY 2,413,000 VOTES TO 30,000.

MR. HUGH DALTON, Minister for Economic Warfare, and member of the Labour Party Executive, who moved the acceptance of the memorandum, said that just as our resolve to win the war was firm and unbreakable, so was our resolve to win peace.

As many buildings have been bombed and burned, and so many old ideas had been blasted away never to return.

The Labour Party Executive had set up a special committee which was working out "plans" for a new Britain after the war so as to be ready with practical plans, he declared.

Britain, which alone in Europe was still free, was looked to from all over the world, especially by those in slavery under the enemy's heel.

It is not possible to exaggerate the influence which Britain and the Labour movement could exercise not only in war but in the years of peace.

Britain-America Co-operation Will Continue After War

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter)—Speaking on Anglo-American relations at the British Labour Party's conference today, MR. ARTHUR GREENWOOD, Minister without Portfolio, who is in charge of Government's plans for post-war reconstruction, said:

"I CONFIDENTLY BELIEVE THAT THIS GROWING CO-OPERATION BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES, WHICH WILL BECOME CLOSER AND CLOSER AS THE WAR GOES ON, WILL CONTINUE AFTER THE WAR AND I THINK THEY WILL TREAD THE SAME PATH WITH US REALISING THAT THERE ARE NO LONGER TWO HEMISPHERES BUT ONE SINGLE SMALL WORLD."

Mr. Greenwood added: "I believe that they, with us, will help to guide all freedom-loving peoples along the paths of peace towards new prosperity. I know that there will be shambles before the war is over. I realise all material loss but our co-operation and that of the dominions with the United States will give us the economic resources soon to obliterate all the losses caused by the war."

"In recent weeks, I have had to take in co-operation with our dominions. They are as anxious as we are to maintain a partnership of free peoples to work together far more closely than ever was the case before this war."

Referring to the National Executive's memorandum, Mr. Greenwood said that Britain was the only country engaged in a war which had improved its social services. What then could they not do in peace if they set themselves to the task with the same energy they had thrown into the war? he asked.

RESIGNATION IN LABOUR MINISTRY

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter)—Sir William Beveridge, Under-Secretary in the Ministry of Labour with special responsibilities for the manpower problem, has resigned his post. His services will, it is expected, be utilised by Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister in charge of reconstruction, in making a survey of the social service.

LOW LEVEL ATTACK AT LE HAVRE

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter)—During daylight yesterday aircraft of the Coastal Command dropped bombs from a low level on targets at the port of Le Havre and hits were obtained, says an Air Ministry communique.

The aerodrome at Octeville, near Cherbourg, was also attacked. One of our aircraft is missing. One German aircraft was destroyed during a raid on Britain on Monday night.

London had its 24th successive night free from bombs. Bombs were dropped in the East, N.E. and S.W. The number of casualties was small and the damage not heavy.

Three German bombers were shot down over Britain last night.

CHOLERA IN CANTON

SHIUKWAN, June 4 (Central)—There is an outbreak of cholera in Canton, claiming scores of casualties daily, according to a report. The hospitals have taken in a large number of patients suffering from this infectious disease while many beggars and coolies have died on the streets.
About 50 boatmen are also sufferers.

Today's News Summary

WHEN PARLIAMENT REASSEMBLES there will in all probability be a debate on the British withdrawal from Crete. Comment in London points to a likely demand for a smaller War Cabinet, but it is pointed out that this idea has been rejected before by the Prime Minister.

DETAILS OF THE ANZAC TROOPS withdrawn from Crete have been given by the Australian Army Minister, Mr. Spender. Altogether 6,400 have not been accounted for.

MR. HUGH DALTON, MINISTER FOR Economic Warfare, addressed the Labour Party conference yesterday. The Executive's peace aims were unanimously adopted.

LT.-GEN. SIR JOHN MARSHALL-CORNWALL, Near East expert, has been appointed to a command that is being kept secret from the Germans.

THE EX-KAISER, WILLIAM II, grandson of Queen Victoria, is dead. He was 82 and had lived in exile in Holland for the past 23 years.

THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH HAS GIVEN interesting facts concerning repair to air raid damage in Britain.



In the World of Sports



BASEBALL NOTES

Brewers Firm Favourites For League Pennant

BY "R.O.Y."

Playing heads-up ball under the blazing sun of Sunday last, the Brewers established themselves firm favourites for the league pennant when they registered a slashing 10-1 victory over the "Asheville" aggregation, that will be called upon to deputize for the U.S.S. Tulsa in the opening games of the official schedule.

In preparation for their needle match against the Mindanao next Saturday, the Brewers kept all of their first-stringers in the game against the "Asheville" lads despite having early on gained a commanding lead.

Tony Alves and Dave Leonard opened the winners' scoring in the first frame. George Souza and Hank All increasing the Brewers' lead in the third. The bluejackets registered their only marker in the fourth. Digiacomo crossing the pan after belting a rousing triple to left-field. After Dave Leonard had again scored in the sixth, the Brewers went on a five-run rampage in the seventh when Jesse Arculli, George Souza, Hank All, Tony Alves and Dave Leonard dented the counting station in that order.

MID-SEASON FORM

Slam Arculli showed mid-season form or the mound for the winners and fanned eight of the Asheville boys without conceding a single free ticket to first. It must be admitted though that his fellow Brewers gave him every support in the field. Tony Alves and George Souza being outstandingly brilliant, at second and short respectively.

"Bread" Cruzan hurled a good game for the losers but six errors by his teammates did little to stem the Brewers attack that was good for ten safeties that included two baggers by Dave Leonard and Baby Abbas.

The first-named connected for 2-in-3, but his average of .667 was topped by Tony Alves mark of .750, registered as a result of three singles in four trips to the pan. Apart from the Leis and Kramer, the Asheville gang had little success with the hickory although Digiacomo's three-bagger was the prize winning hit of the game.

The Hongkong Baseballers, without any of the Stanley Mohawks in the line-up, surprised the fans when they took a convincing 13-5 decision from South China who staged a complete reversal of their excellent form against the Mindanao the previous week.

FIVE WALKS

Bernie Johnson whiffed five of the Chinese boys while allowing them a solitary single during the three stanzas he toed the rubber, but conceded five walks that added the Chinese lads to tally four times. Larry Lawrence relieved him in the fourth and held the South China outfit to one marker and three hits over the last four frames.

Kenny Moy, of whom much is expected, twirled for the losers and fanned seven of the Baseballers. His control though was very poor and nine of the opposing batters drew free rides to first. As expected, Johnny Schallberg proved to be the Club's heaviest

ADVERTISEMENTS

THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE

Entries for June 15th Meeting will be closed at NOON on FRIDAY, JUNE the 6th instead of on Thursday, June the 5th, as previously advertised.

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LEAGUE TENNIS RESULTS

EASY WINS FOR ARMY, C.C.C.

Of the five matches originally arranged for yesterday in the Third Division of the Tennis League only three were played. The two postponed games were the Recreio Kowloon C.C. and the C.R.C. "A" and "B" matches, the former having been put forward to today.

Results follow:

A. T. C. WIN

At Sookunpoo, Army Tennis Club had no difficulty in overcoming their visitors. Kowloon Tong Garden City Association, by 7½ sets to 1½.

Emberson and Duffield (Army) drew with S. Hsu and D. Chen 6-8; beat K. M. Lee and A. H. Basto 6-1; beat L. Chan and D. Kwok 6-1.

Webb and Denyer (Army) lost to Hsu and Chen 4-6; beat Lee and Basto 6-3; beat Chan and Kwok 6-3.

Murray and Megson (Army) beat Hsu and Chen 6-4; beat Lee and Basto 6-3; beat Chan and Kwok 6-3.

I.R.C. OVERWHELMED

Craigengower, flexing a strong team, overwhelmed Indian Recreation Club by nine sets to nil at the Valley.

Lee Wai-keet and J. W. Leonard (C.C.C.) beat A. Rahmin and M. A. Wahab 6-3; beat I. Kitchell and M. Hassan 6-0; beat M. P. Madar and A. D. H. Esmail 6-0.

George Lai and Y. L. Pao (C.C.C.) beat Rahmin and Wahab 6-1; beat Kitchell and Hassan 6-1; beat Madar and Esmail 6-3.

W. J. Howard and K. L. Woo (C.C.C.) beat Rahmin and Wahab 6-0; beat Kitchell and Hassan 6-1; beat Madar and Esmail 6-1.

H.K.U. BEATEN

Kowloon Indian Tennis Club beat Hongkong University Tennis Club by 5½ sets to 3½ at Pokfulam.

K. Cheah and F. Liu (H.K.U.) lost to S. A. and S. S. Hussain 1-6; lost to Dr. H. M. Singh and Dr. S. A. M. Sopher 3-6; drew with M. Ramzan and J. Khan 6-6.

S. L. Yong and P. K. Hoo (I.R.C.) lost to S. A. and S. S. Hussain 0-6; Hussain 0-6; lost to Singh and Khan 6-3; beat Ramzan and Khan 6-3.

H.K.R.A. MINIATURE RIFLE SECTION PROGRAMME

Separate Leagues will be commenced as early as possible for Open and Aperture Sights under S.M.R.C. Rules. Matches will be at 25 yards range and will normally be Weekly Postal Matches, although teams may make individual arrangements for shoulder-to-shoulder matches.

Each Unit may enter an unlimited number of teams of four in each league, the affiliation fee being H.K.\$6 per team per season.

The same team may shoot in both Aperture and Open Sight Leagues.

Target cards for each League Match will be provided by the H.K.R.A.

It is hoped to obtain suitable Challenge Trophies for competition in each League and souvenirs for winning and second teams.

COLONY TEAM MATCHES

Entries have been made for the Colonial Small Bore Match in both Aperture and Open Sights, the teams for which will be chosen from members of the League Teams. On the basis of last year's results, we have an excellent chance of winning this match.

Arrangements are in progress for a friendly match between a team representing the Colony and an Australian Rifle Club.

It is hoped that this will lead to several friendly matches with overseas Clubs, including a shoot with the National Rifle and Pistol Association of the Philippines.

HANDICAP COMPETITIONS

It is proposed to hold a Monthly Handicap Spoon Competition, details of which will be announced later.

Any information required regarding miniature shooting (22) may be obtained from Mr. A. F. Evans, Royal Air Force Station, Kai Tak, Kowloon, who will be pleased to give advice to any persons interested and wishing to form Clubs or Teams.

Hussain 0-6; lost to Singh and Sopher 2-6; beat Ramzan and Khan 6-3.

T. C. Lo and Y. Ip (H.K.U.T.C.) lost to S. A. and S. S. Hussain 0-6; beat Singh and Sopher 6-3; beat Ramzan and Khan 6-3.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS FOR WEEK-END

The following are some Club selections for this week's programme in the Lawn Bowls League:

FIRST DIVISION

RECREIO "A"—J. Luz, C. E. Marques, J. F. V. Ribeiro, C. G. Silva (skip); L. F. Xavier, C. M. Silva, H. A. Alves, F. X. Silva (skip); P. X. Soares, C. Roza Pereira, F. V. V. Ribeiro, R. F. Luz (skip).

RECREIO "B"—D. C. Alves, C. H. Basto, J. C. Remedios, J. J. Basto (skip); F. A. Machado, B. Basto, E. Souza, L. J. Silva (skip); C. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Gutierrez (skip).

SECOND DIVISION

RECREIO "A"—J. Osmond, A. V. Barros, C. A. Lopes, O. P. Remedios (skip); E. L. Barros, E. M. Remedios, C. M. S. Alves, J. R. Soares (skip); A. P. Pereira, F. A. Xavier, J. A. Remedios, C. C. Pereira (skip).

K.F.C.—A. Lapsley, V. Atienza, V. Chittenden, W. C. Fields (skip); W. Naef, A. Eastman, E. Kern, P. Young (skip); A. A. Dand, C. Dowman, W. C. Simpson, T. Ferguson (skip).

THIRD DIVISION

RECREIO "A"—L. A. Rozario, F. X. Monteiro, M. P. Pina, F. A. Yanovich (skip); F. Sequeira, H. M. Xavier, A. F. Noronha, M. A. Carvalho (skip); C. F. Rozario, E. A. R. Alves, M. Mendonca, M. Alarcon (skip).

K.F.C.—B. Thomson, S. C. Wong, C. H. Fuller, B. D. Evans (skip); W. C. Ogley, G. Frost, Y. Abbas, J. T. Smalley (skip); G. Cross, C. Woodcock, A. Macintyre, R. Ogden (skip).

RESERVES: J. Gibson, L. Bones, W. S. Phillips, L. Mallett.

SUNDAY MATCHES

K.F.C. (2nd Div. v. C.C.C.)—A. Lapsley, V. Atienza, V. Chittenden, W. C. Fields (skip); W. Naef, A. Eastman, E. Kern, P. Young (skip); A. A. Dand, C. Dowman, W. C. Simpson, T. Ferguson (skip).

RESERVES: J. Gibson, W. C. Ogley.

RECREIO (3rd Div. v. C.C.C.)—L. A. Rozario, P. X. Monteiro, M. F. Pina, P. A. Yanovich (skip); F. Sequeira, H. M. Xavier, A. F. Noronha, M. A. Carvalho (skip); C. F. Rozario, E. A. R. Alves, M. Mendonca, M. Alarcon (skip).

THIRD DIVISION
H.K.R.A.—A. G. Tarbuck, W. E. Macfarlane, A. G. Gardner, L. de Borne (skip); J. R. Way, W. Stonehouse, W. Stoker, J. F. Lunny (skip); R. A. Owens, E. L. Groom, J. F. Barron, R. C. Butler (skip).

RESERVE: R. F. Gregory.

BOWLS SWEET
Lawn bowlers are reminded that the first lawn bowls sweep of the season, to be decided on Saturday's League matches, will be drawn on Friday. Tickets should therefore be secured without further delay.

hour chatting with Mr. and Mrs. He was an old Merckstonian so we had quite a lot to talk about. They, of course, wanted to hear all about the air-raids, etc. To end a very enjoyable evening they gave me letters of introduction to friends in Bulawayo.

CAMP IN BULAWAYO
We went on from Mafeking and next evening arrived in Bulawayo. Three hundred of the fellows were taken to a camp at "whilst the rest of us went to a delightful camp actually in Bulawayo.

The town is rather pretty with very wide roads and plenty of picture houses, hotels, shops, and I think our stay here should be enjoyable. There are about two hundred Rhodesian soldiers in the camp and we have made friends with them very quickly. The camp is well fitted up with plenty of space, canteens, baths, etc., and the food is excellent and not just one helping—as much as you want and a corporal (I'm not kidding, Dad), keeps coming round asking if we want any more.

We haven't been allowed out of camp today but this restriction will be lifted tomorrow.

This camp is grand; we are in a grand country but when do we fly? This is where the snag comes in and I shall have to wait for at least a month before this happens.

We had spoken for a few minutes when he invited me to his home for "a bit of supper." Nothing loath, I was driven in a most sumptuous Graham Paige out of the town to a huge white house. I looked above the gateway and, 10 and behold, I read the magic words, "Residency." I had a marvellous meal and spent a pleasant

pen.

A.R.P. ORDERS

JUNE 4, 1941

A.R.P. Orders by Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

HONORARY WARDEN

Mr. Ng Wah has been appointed Honorary Divisional Warden in recognition of the valuable assistance he has rendered to the A.R.P. Organisation in the Colony of Hong Kong.

STRENGTH DECREASE

The following Wardens have been permitted to resign:—Central—2817 Chan Cheuk-ki, 2843 Cheung Kwok-sung, S/W 1455 M. A. Baxamusa, 275 Wong Sal-ming, Yau-mat—2605 Miss Leung Wai-ming, Kowloon City—2563 Chung Kam-hing, Upper Levels—2794 Miss Tsui Kam-chi, and 1601 Miss Cheung Wai-ming, Eastern—1351 (T) Mrs. E. Neves.

The following Wardens have been struck off the strength of the Corps:—Western—1195 Cheung Wai-fong, Kowloon City—3624 Lo Tui-fai, 2101 Wong Tze-sai, Quarry Bay—1340 Tsang King-hong.

The undermentioned being a member of the A.R.P. is struck off the strength of the Corps. Shamshuipo—2836 Leung Lai-sang.

The following is dismissed, on being convicted of larceny by the Civil Powers. Shamshuipo—Dep. S/W 1910 Choi Mow-chi.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Upper Levels—2834 To Ho-kui (C) Luk Lee-chu (S.S. Po) to 8 Wa Nin Lane, 2nd floor; 408 Tang Kwok-wo (C) to 39 Sal Street, 1st floor; 428 Lan Wing-ho (C) to 234, Hollywood Road, 1st floor. Central—2646 Miss Kwei (S.S. Po) to 13 Lunard Road, 2nd floor; 2459 Dep. S/W Hui Yu-kee (C) to 280 Hennessy Road, Mongkok—2415 Chan Sik-cheung and 2416 Miss Chan Yuen-ming (S.S. Po) to 24 Lai Chi Kok Road, 2nd floor.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Gough Hill—District Warden A. Pollard granted leave till October 31. Shamshuipo—2019 Miss Mak Hing-chum, granted sick leave till June 28. S/W 1892 Miss Yau Kwai-fung, leave till June 25, 2014 Li Yat-fung, leave till June 23. Central—253 Lai Tak-kwong, leave till July 31, 3557 Ho Kai-hang, sick leave till August 31, and May-poo, 4028 Mak Pui-kwan, 4030 Wong Chuk-sam, 4031 Wong Kam-tim.

The following qualified as A.R.P. Telephoneists and are posted to Divisions as hereunder:—Yau-mat—1388 (T) Miss E. F. Hicks and 2208 (T) Miss I. E. Hicks. Kowloon City—4020 (T) Miss Kwan Yu-chung, and 4021 (T) Miss Kwan Yu-fun.

PROMOTIONS

The following promotions are notified with effect from June 4:—Shamshuipo—S/W 1893 Mok Yun-wah to be Group Warden, To be Senior Wardens—D. S/W 2009 M. Durr and D. S/W 3129 W. Wong. To be Deputy

MEETING

There will be no attestation in Kowloon next week.

(Sgd.) B. H. FOCKLE,
Deputy Director of A.R.P.

LOUIS-CONN BOUT

NEW YORK, June 4 (Reuter)—Joe Louis and Billy Conn had signed papers for a world heavyweight 15-round contest in New York on June 18.

Conn, at the same time, is relinquishing the claim for the light heavyweight championship which he holds, but which he has surrendered when preparing for his fight with Louis.

DEMOTION

Senior Warden 1937 J. W. Bau (Shamshuipo) is severely reprimanded and reduced to the rank of Warden for insubordination.

INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES

Wardens' Classes in Chinese (Syllabus "A")

C342 Ellis Kadroole School, Hospital Road, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8 p.m. commencing on June 4. Lecturer—Mr. Chan Woon-chung. L.A.R.P.S. C343 Confucian Society Free School, Tai Hang, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. commencing on June. Lecturer—Mr. Han C. Liang. L.A.R.P.S.

STRENGTH INCREASE

The following qualified as Wardens and are posted to Divisions as hereunder:—Yau-mat—2251 Kong Kwong-hoi, Shamshuipo—4011 Johnson Chan, 4012 Chung Sai, 4013 Lung Yue-chee, 4014 Poon Moon-him, Tamshatsui—4015 Yeung Shiu-ming, Mongkok—2061 Chan Ding, 3768 Miss Lau Wai-lin, 4016 Lo Wing-chiu, 4017 Wong Hon-wah, 2261 Lee Man, Kowloon City—2108 Chan Kwok-cheung, 4018 Miss Cheung Man-cheung, 4019 Ching S/W 1892 Miss Yau Kwai-fung, leave till June 25, 2014 Li Yat-fung, leave till June 23. Central—253 Lai Tak-kwong, leave till July 31, 3557 Ho Kai-hang, sick leave till August 31, and May-poo, 4028 Mak Pui-kwan, 4030 Wong Chuk-sam, 4031 Wong Kam-tim.

The following qualified as A.R.P. Telephoneists and are posted to Divisions as hereunder:—Yau-mat—1388 (T) Miss E. F. Hicks and 2208 (T) Miss I. E. Hicks. Kowloon City—4020 (T) Miss Kwan Yu-chung, and 4021 (T) Miss Kwan Yu-fun.

There will be no attestation in Kowloon next week.

(Sgd.) B. H. FOCKLE,
Deputy Director of A.R.P.

R.A.F. Training In Africa: Shanghai Boy's Experiences

A well-equipped camp which he described as "grand" set amidst a glamorous tropical surrounding, congenial companions and excellent food to boot greeted a former Shanghai ex-Cathedral School boy when he landed in Africa to undergo advanced training as an R.A.F. pilot, according to a letter received by his father here, reports the North China Daily News. In the missive the writer expresses anxiety to take to the wing and deplores having to wait a whole month before he will be allowed to fly. The letter follows.

At last we have arrived in Bulawayo after a long sea journey, followed by 1,300 miles by rail. I posted a letter to you from Cape Town and hope that by the time this cover reaches you, you will have received it. In it, I described the trip out on the boat, etc., so I shall not repeat that news here. Instead, let us go back to Cape Town where the " " tied up on the evening of the 18th.

LUXURIOUS TRAINS
We were not allowed ashore that night but landed the next morning and were immediately marched to a train. There were four hundred of us and we had a special train for the journey.

The South African trains are most luxurious and we were accommodated four to a compartment which, at night, was easily transformed into a four berth sleeper—each compartment has its own wash-basin, etc. What a lovely city Cape Town is.

It is built on the lower slopes of Table Mountain facing unsurpassably lovely Table Bay. We did not stay long there, and what we did see of it made a very deep impression. And so the journey north began! We spent the first day going up through the Cape Province and the country consisted of mountainous panoramas making jagged looking pictures on the horizon and interspersed with fertile valleys.

CHEERED AT STATIONS
At each little station the population turned out to cheer us on and laden us down with fruit, chocolate

and cigarettes. I have never in my life seen such unbounded hospitality. Next morning we awoke to see very flat, barren veldt everywhere, the emptiness broken by an occasional bush or kopje. We reached Kimberley about mid-day and again the same type of welcome awaited us.

The meals on the train were excellent and served in the restaurant car. It was a great change to be waited upon at the table and to be able to buy an excellent bottle of Claret for 1s. 8d.

From Kimberley we went to Viborg where I met and conversed with a lady from Edinburgh. Needless to say I gave her a lot of news of Auld Reekie.

PIECE DE RESISTANCE
The piece de resistance of the trip came at Mafeking which we reached later that same evening. The train stopped for an hour and most of the fellows went along to a hall where a reception had been arranged. However, buns and grapes were nothing to what I had. I strolled along the platform, through the milling crowd when a tall distinguished-looking gentleman approached with his wife and began chatting.

We had spoken for a few minutes when he invited me to his home for "a bit of supper." Nothing loath, I was driven in a most sumptuous Graham Paige out of the town to a huge white house. I looked above the gateway and, 10 and behold, I read the magic words, "Residency." I had a marvellous meal and spent a pleasant

pen.

hour chatting with Mr. and Mrs. He was an old Merckstonian so we had quite a lot to talk about. They, of course, wanted to hear all about the air-raids, etc. To end a very enjoyable evening they gave me letters of introduction to friends in Bulawayo.

CAMP IN BULAWAYO
We went on from Mafeking and next evening arrived in Bulawayo. Three hundred of the fellows were taken to a camp at "whilst the rest of us went to a delightful camp actually in Bulawayo.

The town is rather pretty with very wide roads and plenty of picture houses, hotels, shops, and I think our stay here should be enjoyable. There are about two hundred Rhodesian soldiers in the camp and we have made friends with them very quickly. The camp is well fitted up with plenty of space, canteens, baths, etc., and the food is excellent and not just one helping—as much as you want and a corporal (I'm not kidding, Dad), keeps coming round asking if we want any more.

We haven't been allowed out of camp today but this restriction will be lifted tomorrow.

This camp is grand; we are in a grand country but when do we fly? This is where the snag comes in and I shall have to wait for at least a month before this happens.

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COMING EVENTS

JUNE

5-Tides: High 5.44 a.m. and 5.42 p.m. Low: 12.07 a.m. and 11.53 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.05 p.m. Empire-Wide Flag Day.

Entries Close for June Meeting of Macao Jockey Club, noon.

H.K. Y's Men's Club Weekly Meeting: 1 p.m.

Cheero Club Bridge and Mahjongs.

Pony Roup at Jockey Club Paddock, Happy Valley, 5.15 p.m.

H.K. Schools Arts and Crafts Exhibition, Northcote Training College, Bonham Road, 10 a.m. to 7.30 p.m.

Ladies' Knitting Party (B.W.O.F.), Helena May Institute, 9 a.m. to noon.

St. Andrew's (Medical), War Work 10 a.m.

Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

6-Tides: High 6.27 a.m. and 7.07 p.m. Low: 1.11 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.05 p.m. Musical Recital in aid of Bomber Fund, Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.-12 noon.

Cheero Club Darts and Table Tennis.

Chamber Music Evening, University Great Hall, 7 p.m.

St. Andrew's Church, Intercession Service, 8.30 p.m.

7-Tides: High 7.11 a.m. and 8.17 p.m. Low: 12.41 a.m. and 2.05 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.06 p.m. Claims against Estate of late Mr. C. H. P. May due.

Opening of Baseball League.

Lecture: Dr. Cliff on "Prophecy" 77 Pokfulam Road, 2nd floor, 8.30 p.m.

8-Tides: High 7.54 a.m. and 9.21 p.m. Low: 1.24 a.m. and 2.54 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.06 p.m. Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m. Baseball League.

9-Tides: High 8.37 a.m. and 10.18 p.m. Low: 2.05 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.06 p.m. Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. Offices, 3 p.m.

10-Tides: High 9.20 a.m. and 11.13 p.m. Low: 2.44 a.m. and 4.26 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.07 p.m. Rotary Club Tiffin, H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m.

11-Tides: High 10.01 a.m. Low: 3.24 a.m. and 5.11 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.07 p.m. Opening of King George V Memorial Park, Jordan Road, Kowloon, 6 p.m.

12-Tides: High 12.07 a.m. and 10.46 p.m. Low: 4.02 a.m. and 5.54 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.07 p.m.

13-Tides: High 12.58 a.m. and 11.28 p.m. Low: 4.42 a.m. and 6.37 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.08 p.m.

14-Tides: High 1.49 a.m. and 12.03 p.m. Low: 5.25 a.m. and 7.21 p.m. Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.08 p.m. Claims against Estate of late Mr. J. K. Monro due.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Artie Shaw and His Orchestra.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 Songs by Bing Crosby.

Maybe (from "Oh! Kay") Tumbling Tumblers (Nolan); If I Knew Then (Jurgens, Howard).

1.10 Hawaiian Music.

Hawaiian Love; Hawaiian Rose—Medley—Kane's Hawaiians, Papalina Lahilahi (Johnny Noble); Haleiwa (Wood)—Ray Kinney (Vocal) with Dick McIntire's Harmony Hawaiians; Hilo Hanakahi (Haleiwa); On the Beach of Waikiki (Kallima)—Waikiki Stone-Wall Bays.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 The London Theatre Orchestra with Peggy Wood (Vocal).

"Revuedeille" Memories—Windmill Theatre Selections—The London Theatre Orchestra. Where are the Songs we Sung: Dearest Love (both from "Operette")—Peggy Wood (Soprano) with Orchestra. The Land of Smiles—Selection—Intro: Introduction from Overture; Waltz Duet; Love's Magic Power; Finale, Act 2; Apple blossom; Homeland; Dancing. How Enchanting; A Cup of China Tea. You are my Heart's Delight—London Theatre Orchestra. Zigeuner ("Bitter Sweet"—Coward)—Peggy Wood (Soprano) with Piano.

2.15 Close Down.

2.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Dance Music.

Quick-Step—Bring out the Little Brown Jug; Fox-Trot—The Man who comes around—Billy Cotton and His Band. Fox-Trots—I've got my eyes on you (film "Broadway Melody of 1938"); The Singing Hills—Joe Loss &

His Orchestra, Waltz—By the Whirling Well; Slow Fox-Trot—A Lover's Lullaby—Ambrose and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—The Starlit Hour; Shake down the Stars—Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 Variety.

Vocal—Thru' the Courtesy of Love (film "Voice of Scandal")—Denny Dennis with Orchestra. Piano and Whistling—Piano Medley No. 2—Intro: Easter Parade; With every breath I take; His Majesty the Baby; June in January; One good tune deserves another; The big bad wolf was dead—Ronald Gourley. Vocal—Little Fraternity, Pin (from "Varsity Show"); Once in a while (Edwards Green)—Frances Langford w. Orch. Vocal—Here's Love in your Eyes (film "The Big Broadcast of 1937"); To Mary—with Love (Gordon and Revel)—Denny Dennis w. Orchestra. Piano—Medley—Intro: Smoke gets in your eyes; Who made little Boy Blue; If I love again; Continental; Stay as sweet as you are; Sweetest Joe, the Candy Man—Ronald Courley.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Programme Summary and Announcements.

8.02 Banjo Music.

Banjo Favourites—Intro: Stein Song; Valencia; Toy Drum Major—Raymond and His Band o' Banjos. Key-board Kapers (Steele)—Mario de Pietro. Whistling Rufus (Mills); Termination Rag (Lodge)—Raymond and His Band o' Banjos.

8.15 Studio-Local Newsletter

8.30 Magyar Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra with Richard Tauber (Tenor).

Hungarian Csardas of George Nagy (Karoly)—You are the Fellow friend Tykody; My little velvet Hat; Oh! How long it seems—Magyar Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra. Can I Forget You (film "High, Wide and Handsome"); Sympathy (film "Fire-baby")—Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Orch. The Last Drops—Waltz (Kratzl); The Blue Danube—Waltz (Joh. Strauss)—Magyar Imre & His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra. Indian Love Lyrics—Kashmiri Song (Hope—Woodford-Finden); Till I Wake (Hope—Woodford-Finden)—Richard Tauber (Tenor) with piano. Bhari Waltzes (Bihari)—Magyar Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.15 Verdi's "La Traviata" Act III.

Soloists in order of appearance: Mercedes Capris (Soprano)—Violetta Valery, a courtesan; Ida Conti (Contralto)—Violetta's maid; Baccaloni (Bass)—A Physician; Lionello Cecil (Tenor)—Alfredo Germont, lover of Violetta; Carlo Calchi (Baritone)—Alfredo's father with the Milan Symphony Orchestra.

9.45—10.00 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 De Falla—"Three Corners Hat" Suite.

The Neighbours—The Miller's Dance—Final Dance—New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

10.00 London Relay—"To" Talk of Many Things.

10.15 Bach's Unaccompanied Sonata No. 3 in C Major and Two Piano Concerto in C Major.

Unaccompanied Sonata No. 3 in C Major. 1st Mov: Adagio; 2nd Mov: Fugue; 3rd Mov: Largo; 4th Mov: Allegro assai—Yehudi Menuhin (Violin). Concerto in C Major. 1st Mov: Allegro; 2nd Mov: Adagio ovvero Largo; 3rd Mov: Fugue—Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and Karl Ulrich Schnabel (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Adrian Boult.

11.00 (Close Down).

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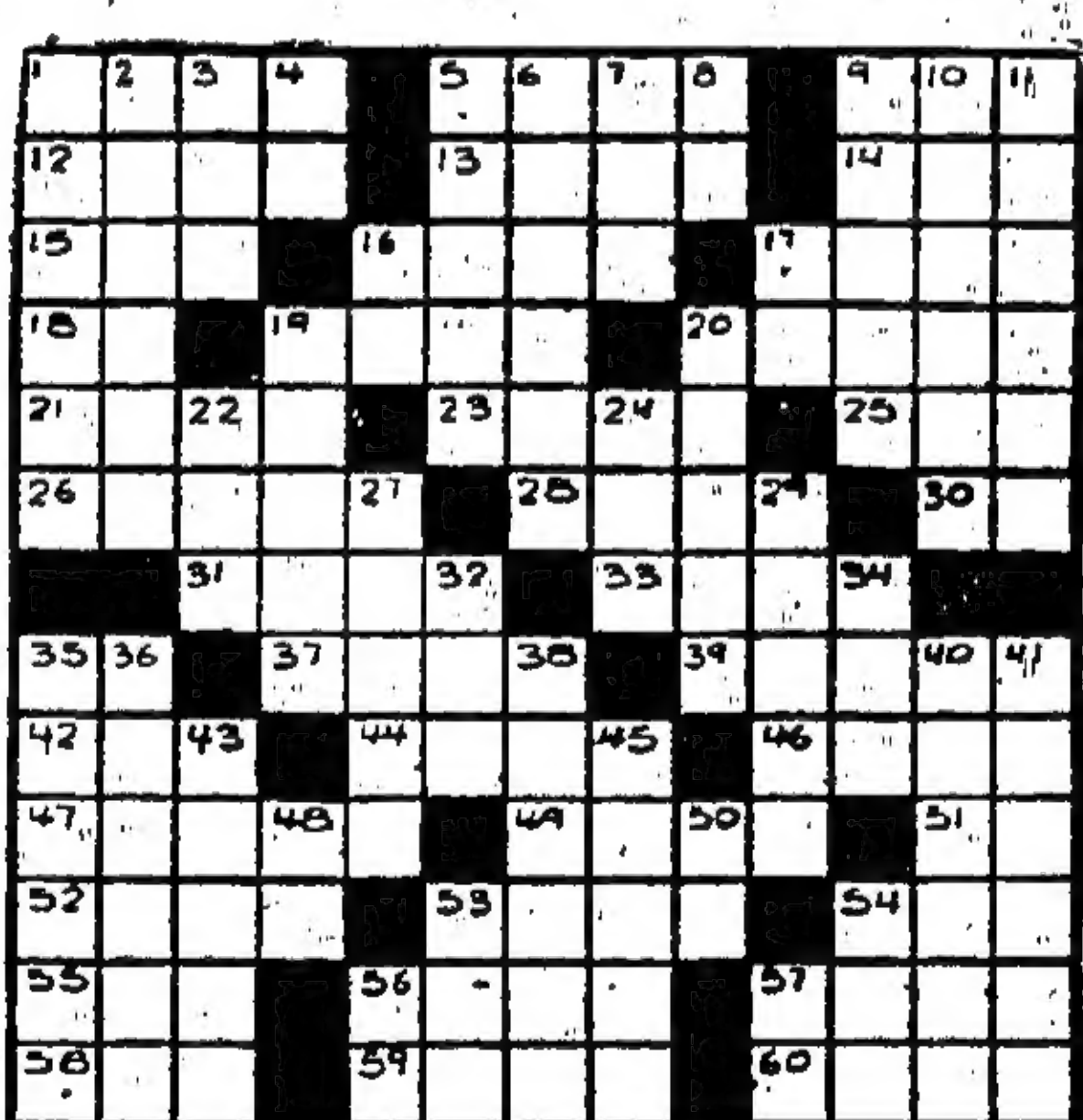
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Heading this line-up are Laurence Olivier and Joan Fontaine, who play the starring roles, while in their support are Judith Anderson, C. Aubrey Smith, George Sanders, Nigel Bruce, Florence Bates and Gladys Cooper.

Olivier is cast as Maxim de Winter, a prominent society man who is famous for his vast Tudor estate called Manderley.

To this house he brings his second wife, played by Miss Fontaine, a shy and unsophisticated person who can hardly be compared to the glittering and brilliant former mistress of Manderley, Rebecca, now dead.

But though Rebecca is dead, her forceful personality and dramatic beauty still continue to dominate Manderley and to haunt the lives of those who wander through its immense rooms.

CADET CORPS APPROVED

SYDNEY.—Air Board approval has been given to the inauguration of the Air Cadet Corps for youths between 16 and 18, the Director of R.A.A.F. Recruiting (Wing Commander A. H. Cobby) announced recently.

The object of the corps will be to provide partly-trained personnel to the R.A.A.F. as the cadets qualify and become of enlistment age.

It is estimated the corps will have a membership of about 70,000, spread into squadrons in city and country areas throughout the Commonwealth.

Cadets will receive only ground instruction in flight theory, radio telegraphy, drill, physical training and other subjects.

TRAINING BY VOLUNTEERS
The R.A.A.F. will have the general direction of cadet training, but the actual training will be undertaken by voluntary instructors.

Organisation details of the new corps are now being worked out in Melbourne.

The R.A.A.F. has been offered the use of scout halls for training purposes. In addition to cadet squadrons in city and country districts, it is proposed also to form squadrons through schools. Cadets will wear uniform and will be issued with badges.

It is hoped that last war pilots who are too old or for other reasons are unable to serve in the present war will offer their services as instructors to the corps.

LARGE GERMAN AIR FORCE PERSONNEL STATIONED IN SYRIA: LANDING MADE AT LATAKIA STATES REPORT

ANKARA, June 4 (REUTERS)—GERMAN PROPAGANDA IS VERY ACTIVE AMONG THE MUSLEMS in Syria, it is learned here. They are making great play with the Jewish question and are also distributing food. One hundred and twenty trucks of sugar, wheat, rice and aviation spirit have arrived at Aleppo. The food was given to the populace while the spirit was kept for the Luftwaffe.

As regards the local population, all experts agree that the Syrian Christians are openly pro-British. German propaganda has also failed to succeed among the Shia Muslim minority while the attitude of the French is mixed.

LABOUR PARTY CONFERENCE

Working People Ready To Make Sacrifices

LONDON, June 4 (Reuters)—Labour today is united in the cause of freedom, declared M. Camille Huysmans, President of the Labour and Socialist International, at yesterday's session of the Labour Party Conference.

Mr. George Gibson, Chairman of the Trades Union Congress, said that the working people would not be behind if the country reached the stage when further sacrifices were called for, but there would be no wage cutting until unlimited dividends were sacrificed.

The session concluded with the delegates standing in silence in honour of comrades on the Continent suffering under the heel of tyranny. They sang the "Internationale."

BROADCAST TO U.S.

British Labour will never yield, declared the Minister of Labour, Mr. Ernest Bevin, broadcasting to the National Conference of Social Workers in the United States.

Labour, he said, was wholeheartedly supporting the war because they believed it righteous. "We are determined to preserve our spiritual inheritance. We will not be driven back into slavery, therefore Labour, in common with the whole nation, is determined to see this bitter struggle through to a victorious end."

PRUSSIAN POLICY

"The Prussian policy is the very anti-thesis of that of the United States itself."

"What has been so very encouraging in the evolution of your relationships has been the growth of the policy of good neighbourliness, one which has encouraged every lover of the rights of man all over the world."

"It stands out as a tremendous contrast to Prussian militarism and domination."

ORDERS PLACED FOR GIANT BOMBERS

WASHINGTON, June 4 (Reuters)—Two huge new orders, estimated to provide about 800 giant bombers, have been placed by the War Department.

One of these orders placed with Consolidated Aircraft Company of San Diego is valued at \$226,636,200. The second, placed with the Boeing Company of Seattle, is valued at \$95,242,686.

These orders are understood to be designed to further President Roosevelt's bomber production goal of 500 large bombers a month.

The announcement of the placing of these orders followed quickly on the information made earlier that three large aircraft manufacturers, Douglas, Vega and Boeing, had decided to pool all their resources to speed up the production of a single type of large bomber.

MASS DISMISSALS OF OFFICIALS

LONDON, June 4 (Reuters)—Eighty-two thousand officials have been dismissed by the German authorities in the Moravia-Bohemia Protectorate, according to advices received by the Czechoslovak authorities in London.

The dismissed officials include civil servants in Government departments in Prague, municipal and local employees, postmen, railwaymen and school teachers. These mass dismissals are attributed to persistent sabotage which continues to hamper the authorities.

Recently four serious railway accidents due to untraceable causes had been reported.

SHIPPING SITUATION SERIOUS

LONDON, June 4 (Reuters)—The shipping situation is very serious, Mr. Emmanuel Shinwell, M.P., told the Labour Party conference yesterday.

"Unless we can speedily repair our vessels damaged by enemy action and replace those lost by the result of our own efforts and the help of America, I doubt whether victory is within sight," he said.

In the ultimate, he added, victory rests on the inviolability of our sea power.

WARSHIP PRODUCTION
WASHINGTON, June 4 (Reuters)—A production "miracle" of warship building was demanded by Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, yesterday.

Addressing a conference of shipbuilders, he stressed that his demand was made in order that the United States and the British navies should continue to command the seas.

He continued: "There can no longer be any doubt that this war will be determined by two things—not one thing—successful combination of sea and air power."

SERVICES TAKEN OVER
Another Washington message states that the United States merchantmen are to take over all British shipping services from Canada and the United States to Australia and New Zealand.

Announcing this arrangement, the Maritime Commission states: "This will release 12 British vessels for Britain's own war efforts."

RESHUFFLE OF FUKIEN PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

CHUNGKING, June 4 (Central)—A partial reorganization of the Fukien Provincial Government was effected by a decision of the Executive Yuan at its meeting yesterday morning.

The resignation of Mr. Hsu Hsueh-yu as a member of the Provincial Government was accepted. Mr. Pao Ko-yung was relieved of his concurrent post as Commissioner of Reconstruction and Mr. Lu Kwei-hsiang appointed his successor.

Upon the petition of the Kwelchow Provincial Government, Mr. Ho Chi-wu was appointed the first Mayor of Kwelwang Municipality.

The meeting also approved of the appointment of Mr. Kwan Chi-yu as Director of the Revenue Department of the Ministry of Finance in succession to Mr. Kao Ping-fang who will be transferred to another post.

EDUCATION DEPT.
Mr. Ku Shu-sheng was appointed Director of the People's Education Department of the Ministry of Education and relieved of his incumbent post as Director of the Popular Education Department.

Complying with a petition from the Ministry of Education, the Executive Yuan will issue an order commending the services of the late Kao Pu-yung, formerly Professor of the National Peiping Normal University, who died recently.

COAL-MINERS TRAPPED IN CUMBERLAND BLAST

LONDON, June 4 (Reuters)—Many coal miners are believed to be trapped in remote workings far under the sea at William Pit, Whitehaven, Cumberland, as a result of an underground explosion on Tuesday.

Rescue workers from all mining areas in Cumberland rushed to the scene and some men had been brought to the surface suffering from serious burns. Rescuers were still striving desperately last night to reach the men still trapped.

William Pit is the oldest underground coal mine in Britain having been sunk in 1812. Some of its workings extended seven miles under the sea.

All men alive have now been brought out of William Pit. The bodies of nine men have been recovered, three others missing are believed dead and 13 have been taken to hospital with severe burns.

HAZARDOUS ESCAPE
Over 60 men were working below the area of explosion. Those

There were also two alarms on Monday.

No incidents followed the first while on the second occasion, enemy aircraft were driven off by anti-aircraft fire, dropping their bombs into the sea.

Great Britain Still The Master In Mediterranean

LONDON, June 4 (Reuters)—Although the loss of Crete is unpleasant and adds to the difficulties facing the British Navy, Britain remains master of the Mediterranean. Effective air support is a necessary adjunct to naval operations depending in its turn on ample air bases, and this is nowhere more appreciated than in the British Navy, writes Reuter's Military commentator.

The British naval base at Alexandria is backed by long stretches of coast line along which aerodromes are located, while the flat plains bordering the sea here permit the establishment of as many more aerodromes as are necessary.

Moreover, the line of the Mediterranean coast forming a sharp angle with Egypt to the south and Palestine and Syria to the east forms two flanks from which Alexandria can well be covered from the air.

The mouth of this big angle of bay is covered by Cyprus, which the British hold and on which aerodromes can also be situated, thus enormously strengthening the British air control over the Eastern Mediterranean. But this control will be badly weakened if the Vichy French are permitted to allow the establishment of a Nazi air force on Syrian aerodromes and Nazi troops to control Syrian ports.

IMMEDIATE ACTION
This must be prevented at all cost and it appears that immediate action is necessary. There is no time for hesitation and delay. The kid gloves must be taken off.

The Vichy Government may be regarded as unfriendly, but Vichy does not carry half the French people or half the French soldiers with it. These hate the Nazis and would willingly join the cause of the democracies if only they saw some support within reach.

General Catroux, the Free French C-in-C in the Near East, is believed to be in Egypt and perhaps General Charles de Gaulle the Free French leader, is also there.

The immediate occupation of Syria headed by the Free French should be undertaken forthwith.

DECISIVE MOMENT
If the R.A.F. is solidly established along the whole Eastern Mediterranean coast line from Aleppo to Haifa, backed by firm bases in Iraq and the Persian Gulf, Cyprus will be safe and the British naval base at Alexandria will be secure.

Delay in the occupation of Syria permitting a Nazi occupation there would jeopardise all. Grave consequences are in the balance and Britain must not be slow in using her power. With the Syrian air fields in British hands, British control of the Eastern Mediterranean would be assured, provided only that the R.A.F. is strongly reinforced in the Middle East.

Here is a decisive point and now is the decisive moment.

CRETE EVACUATION
WELLINGTON, June 4 (Reuters)—Altogether 2,800 New Zealand soldiers are unaccounted for following the Crete evacuation, according to information at present in the Government.

This was announced by the Acting Prime Minister, Mr. Walter Nash, yesterday.

He said that the majority should probably be correctly recorded as missing.

Some thousands, he added, had arrived in Egypt from Crete, including 788 wounded.

CHUNGKING RAID CASUALTIES

Over Seventy Killed In Dug-Out

CHUNGKING, June 4 (Reuters)—Casualties in Monday's bombing were probably higher than those in any previous raid this year, according to reports from various quarters.

Many factors contributed to this misfortune. Seventy-seven people were killed and many were injured in one dug-out which was constructed, not for the populace but for trucks. This dug-out was without any protection at the entrance.

After an urgent alarm, many people flocked into this dug-out for trucks which enters straight into a rock for some distance without any turns. It has no stones at the entrance, as there are in all dug-outs for the populace.

One bomb landed directly in front of the entrance.

Many men who remained with their boats were killed and their boats were blown-up when bombs dropped in the Yangtze and Chialing river fronts.

TALE OF HEROISM
Casualties were high at Chiang-pieh, a densely populated town, on the north bank of the Chialing river opposite Chungking, where many bombs were dropped.

A tale of heroism is told of an old woman who was killed in an attempt to save the life of a child. When the raiders appeared, the child was running in the street. The old woman, who was already safely sheltered, dashed out into the street to bring the child into the dug-out. Both were killed.

CHUNGKING AIR RAID HAZARD

Casualties Reduced To Minimum

CHUNGKING, June 4 (Central)—The anti-air raid defences in Chungking are becoming more strengthened every day and as a result between January and May this year there is only one casualty for every three and a half bombs dropped on Chungking, declared a high official of the Air Defence Headquarters.

In 1939, the official said, every bomb dropped caused five and a half casualties, while in 1940, the rate was about one bomb for one casualty.

The alarm system, the official further said, has almost been perfected. As soon as it sounded, all the residents seek cover in the dugouts long before the arrival of the raiders and consequently, the number of casualties has been reduced to the minimum.

KIAN RAIDED
KIAN, June 4 (Central)—Eight Japanese planes, flying from their base in Hupieh, early yesterday morning raided Kian and dropped several tons of bombs over its suburbs, most of which, however, fell on open spaces.

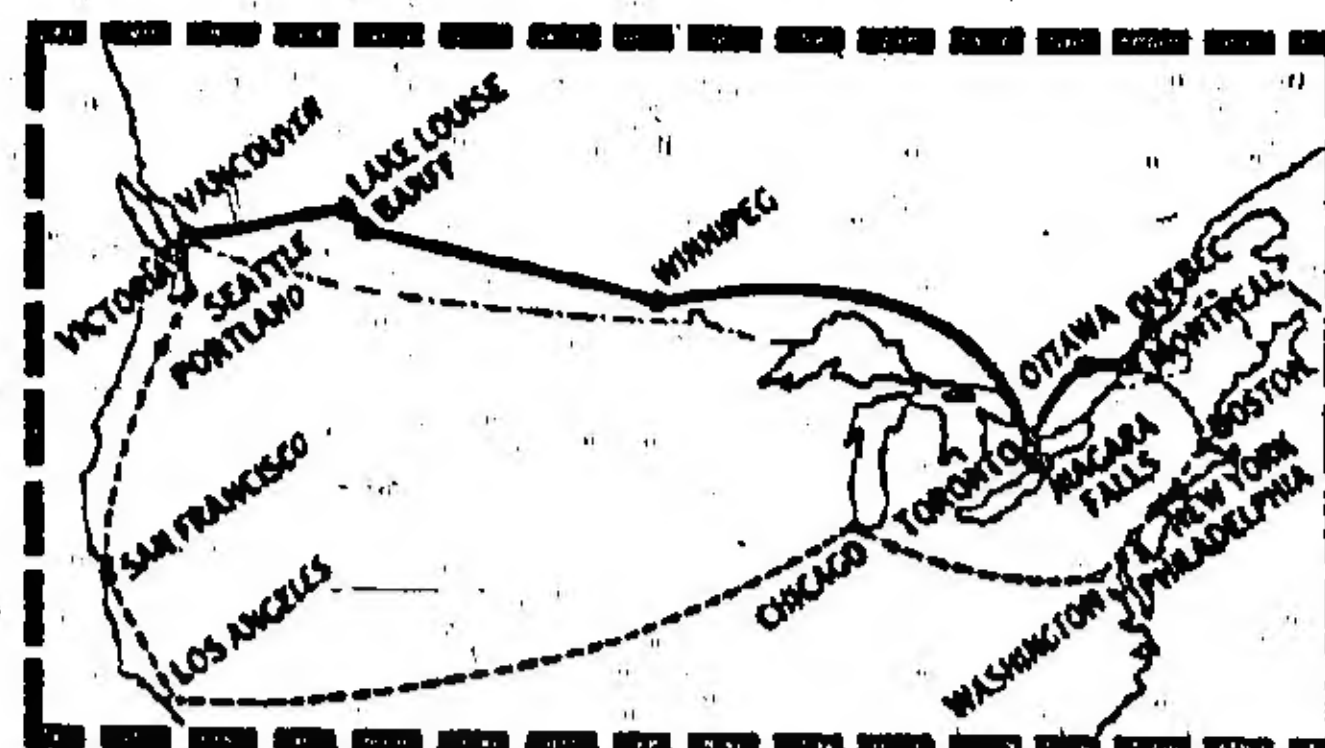
CHILDREN KNOW THE BOMBS

Darwin—So familiar have English children become with German bombing raids that their play in the streets is interrupted only when they hear a high explosive bomb falling, according to Mr. E. Oughton, who has arrived by flying boat on his way to New Caledonia.

Fire bombs hold no terror for the children, he said. They are always ignored, but when the whine of the high-explosive bomb is heard the children leave the streets for shelters. As soon as the bomb has exploded they resume whatever game they were playing.

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Insurance Premiums Increases Reported By China Underwriters

Increases in Life, Accident, Marine and Fire Insurance premiums were reported by the Chairman, Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, at the annual meeting of China Underwriters, Ltd., held yesterday.

Death claims have increased by \$36,781 but surrenders have decreased by over \$20,000. Fire claims were up by \$22,000, while Marine claims were lower by over \$14,000. There were also fewer Accident claims.

Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields was in the Chair, and other Directors present were Dr. J. W. Anderson, Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong, Mr. Mohamed Nemaze, Mr. G. A. Pentreath, Mr. H. R. Start (Managing Director), and Mr. E. R. Childe (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. I. W. Shewan, J. Dick, Wong Sum-ye, H. Dreyer, Wong Ngai-bong, H. J. M. de Figueiredo, Wong Tai-choy and F. H. Loseby (representing the Estate of the late Mr. J. P. Underup).

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

In the course of his speech, the Chairman said:—

In the Life Assurance Department new business premiums at \$127,055 show an increase over the corresponding figure of \$110,605 in 1939.

Renewal premiums at \$588,633 also show an increase over last year's figure of \$551,179.

The total premium income has increased from \$669,785 to \$715,688.

Death claims have increased from \$117,899 to \$154,880.

Claims maturing were \$144,200 compared with \$112,236 last year. Surrenders have decreased satisfactorily from \$152,169 to \$132,137.

Expenses excluding commission are about the same as last year and the Life Assurance Fund shows an increase from \$1,221,379 to \$1,262,000.

In the Fire Insurance Department premiums have increased from \$101,624 to \$123,912 excluding an amount of \$25,132 representing the premium received for unexpired risks under an increased proportion of a Treaty Account.

MORE FIRE CLAIMS

Claims at \$57,032 show an increase over last year's figure of \$45,207 and the Fire Insurance Fund has increased from \$87,873 to \$132,103.

In the Accident Insurance Account premiums at \$68,507 show an increase compared with the figure of \$49,301 last year.

Claims were lower having decreased from \$25,594 to \$18,741. The Accident Insurance Fund has increased from \$20,381 to \$40,323.

In the Marine Insurance Account premiums at \$256,233 show a large increase over the figure of \$130,414 last year.

Claims at \$55,190 show a decrease compared with the figure of \$69,480 and the Marine Insurance Fund has increased from \$102,153 to \$244,890.

The interest credited to the Profit and Loss Account was \$76,111 compared with \$67,891 and \$75,000 has been transferred to the General Reserve Fund leaving a balance in Profit and Loss of \$8,254.

In the Balance Sheet the principal items calling for comment are an increase from \$443,127 to \$545,323 in mortgages, an increase from \$679,470 to \$767,420 in policy loans, and an increased sum invested in Indian and Colonial Government securities.

In reference to the Balance Sheet as at Dec. 31, 1939 we stated that the Stock Exchange Investments were valued below market value after taking into account the Investment and Exchange Reserve of \$89,697. The Market Value of these securities has increased during the year and the Investment and Exchange Reserve of \$71,799 is now a free Reserve, after valuing the securities in the aggregate below market value.

TOTAL ASSETS INCREASED

The Total Assets have increased from \$3,304,681 to \$3,860,025 including an increase in Paid up Capital of \$175,825.

Looking at the account generally the New and Renewal Life Premiums have both increased and increases in Premium Income are shown in all other departments, particularly in the Marine Account which has been augmented by receipt of War Risk Premiums and Surcharges.

The funds in the Fire, Marine and Accident Departments show a total increase of \$206,915.

Assuming reserves for unexpired risks of 60 per cent. of a year's premium in the Marine Account and 40 per cent. of a year's premium in the Fire and Accident Accounts there was a surplus in these accounts at the beginning of the year of \$71,788. On the same basis the surplus at the end of

ALLEGED UTTERANCE BY ACCUSED

Murder Hearing At Central

"Kong Wong was very unfair to me. He drove me to such extremity that I had not even space to walk. If he dies, the most I can do is to pay with my life."

These words were alleged to have been uttered by CHAN MUK, alias Tai Luk Muk, 44, wood sawer, charged before Major A. N. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy yesterday with the murder of Kong at the Tung Yee Hing boat building yard, Ah Kung Ngam, Shaui-wan, on Apr. 25, to Police Constable C11, Lam Chi-ming, after he was arrested by the latter.

Commitment proceedings were conducted by Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, assisted by Det.-Insp. L. R. Whant.

Lam Chi-ming, in evidence, said after the alleged incident, he found accused hidden in a pig sty about 65 paces from the boat building yard. He was walking with accused towards the yard when accused addressed him in the words reported above.

On arrival at the yard, an axe was seen on the ground lying near the tool box. Accused was alleged to have pointed it out to witness and said: "I used that axe to strike him."

STILL AWAKE

Earlier, a 14-year-old apprentice, Lau Cheuk-hin, who slept on the same bed as deceased, testified that on the night in question when he went to bed deceased had been already lying there but was still awake. Witness fell asleep, and was not awoken until he was stepped on by another foki, who came to the scene after the alleged incident. In his sleep, witness said that he was never disturbed by any noise.

Lo Tam, 51, deposed that he ran an opium den at an unnumbered hut in Ah Kung Ngam near the yard. He knew accused because the latter was a regular customer.

On the morning of Apr. 24, accused went to witness and only 20 cents "lucky" money from deceased instead of 40. About 1 a.m. next morning, accused came to smoke, during which he said: "Wong Tsai (deceased) was unfair to me and because of this I had struck him on the head with an axe. The earthen ware pillow was broken into pieces. Whether he is dead or alive, I do not know."

Hearing was adjourned to Saturday, at 11.15 a.m.

Govt. House Collapse Started

The expected has happened! GOVERNMENT HOUSE has begun to fall down.

True, what did collapse were only two columns and two pillars and a crosspiece over the steps leading from the balcony onto the garden. But they might well be only the first cause of the A.M.R. tunnelling scheme.

According to Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, A.D.C., the first warning of impending disaster was given at 8.15 p.m. when the plaster on one of the columns began to fall off. This was immediately followed by the plaster on the column on the other side of the steps falling down, followed by the collapse of that column.

PILLAR DOWN

A few minutes later the first column also collapsed, bringing down with it an adjoining pillar. This was quickly followed by the tumbling down of the pillar adjoining the other column. Within another ten minutes, the crosspiece above the steps fell, and with it another large slab on the outside.

The whole incident was over by 8.45 p.m. Luckily there was no one about at that time.

Evacuation was advised, and His Excellency the Governor was finally persuaded to leave Government House on Tuesday night. His Excellency spent the night at Flagstaff House where his Assistant Private Secretary, Mr. G. T. Rowe, also took up temporary residence.

Shoring operations were begun immediately, and workers were still busy putting up heavy solid-looking supports when a Hongkong Daily Press reporter called yesterday afternoon.

CRACKS WIDENED

The cracks on the other pillars and on the ceiling of the balcony have widened considerably, while that portion between the two fallen columns looked in danger of coming down any time.

Mr. S. C. Feltham, A.R.I.B.A., Executive Engineer of the Public Works Department, with two other officials of his department, were still on the scene yesterday afternoon.

Asked whether His Excellency intends to evacuate Government House, Capt. Batty-Smith said that he did not think so as His Excellency had notified his intention to remain there as long as possible.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association gratefully acknowledges the following donations and subscriptions:—

Sir Robert Ho Tung \$2,000; Chinese Chamber of Commerce, 500; Bank of China 500; F. C. Hall 250; Bank of Canton, 200; Bank of East Asia, 200; Shanghai Comm. and Savings Bank, 200; Bank of Communications, 200; Lam Chi Fung, 200; W. T. Stanton, 100; Provincial Bank of Fokien, 50; China and Southsea Bank 50; Wing On Bank, 50; China State Bank, 50; Kwangtung Provincial Bank, 50; Manufacturers Bank of China, 50; Overseas Chinese Banking Corp., 50; Yien Yieh Commercial Bank 50; Bank of Kwangsi, 50; Mrs. Marjorie Allison, 50; China Emporium, 50; Staff—China Emporium, 50; R. A. C. North, 10; J. Jowson, 10; Dr. Lam Chi Wu, 5; J. Choa, 5; Dr. Macleod, 5; Mrs. N. Macleod, 5; Dr. Hargreaves, 5; Dr. J. P. Fahly, 5; Dr. G. Ingram Shaw, 5; Dr. R. C. Jones, 5.

Masterpiece Returns Safely

The National Gallery's Madonna and Child, by Jan van Eyck, which was loaned to the New York World's Fair in 1939, and has been returned, is now worth \$50,000 (sterling), compared with the purchased price of £31,000 by the Felton Bequest committee in 1922.

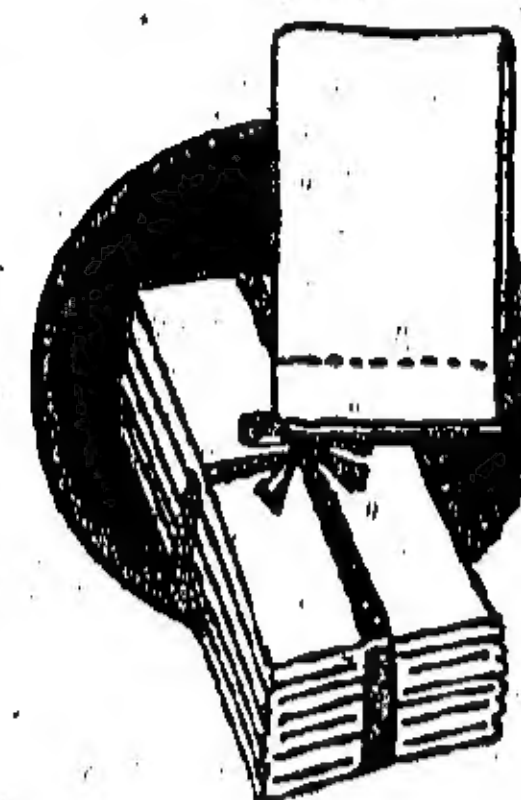
National Gallery trustees, at their annual meeting were told that the painting was insured for £50,000 by the World's Fair committee.

The painting was insured for £50,000 sterling by the World's Fair committee. It aroused a great interest throughout America, and was returned in excellent condition except for a slight warping caused by climatic changes. The warping will not be apparent.

firewood from wholesale dealers at 45 cattles per \$1, the sum excluding transportation fees and cooler's wages, and, therefore, could not sell it at Government price without loss.

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Refugees In The Colony

An increase of 136 in the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government camps, etc., in urban and rural areas is recorded in the Government returns for the week ending on May 31.

Urban Areas:

King's Park—1,387 against 1,297 on May 24.
Ma Tau Chung—1,968 against 1,935 on May 24.
North Point—1,537 against 1,526 on May 24.
Morrison Hill—509 against 510 on May 24.

Urban Areas (Squatters' Camps):

Tai Hang—2,546 against 2,547 on May 24.
Ngau Tau Kok—811 against 808 on May 24.

Rural Areas:

Kam Tin—2,785 against 2,784 on May 24.
Fanling Children's Camp—372 against 372 on May 24.
Total—11,915 against 11,779 on May 24.

TWO WEDDINGS AT REGISTRY

Two Chinese couples were married by Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday. The parties were:—

Mr. Wong Tong-leung, merchant, of No. 11 Shelley Street, and Miss Ho Pik-chen, of the same address;

Mr. Mar Po, merchant, of No. 55 Electric Road, and Miss Ng Pui-tong, teacher, of No. 500 Nathan Road.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The forthcoming marriage between Mr. Lo Hung-hing, merchant, of No. 2 Sul Wa Terrace, and Miss Hu Lan-tsen, of No. 101 High Street, was announced yesterday.

7 Firewood Dealers Fined \$1,000 Each

The managers of seven firewood retail shops were each fined \$1,000 or one month's imprisonment by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy yesterday for selling firewood at prices higher than Government fixed rate.

Defendants were Cheung Wun-man, of the Yuen Loong firm, No. 41, Cochrane Street; Chau Ching-pok, of the Wing Fat Cheung firm, No. 40, Graham Street; Chu Fong, of the Cheong Hing firm, No. 66, Stanley Street; Lo Luk, of the Fuk Shing firm, No. 28, Possession Street; Kwok Lau, of the Hop Yick firm, No. 23, Graham Street; Ko Lai, of the Man Lee firm, No. 17, Graham Street; and Ngan Tai, of the Sai Kong firm, No. 26, Hollywood Road.

The summonses were taken out as a result of detectives being sent to the shops to purchase firewood on May 24. Defendants were alleged to have given from seven to 12 cattles less for \$1 instead of the Government price of 45 cattles per \$1.

Mr. F. W. Shaftain, A.D.C.I., who conducted the prosecution, assisted by Det. Sub-Insp. J. O'Donovan, said that he was instructed to ask his Worship to take a serious view of the case.

The summonses, said Mr. Shaftain, were brought out under the heading of split firewood so as to avoid ambiguity in that there could be no question of defendants pleading that the wood which they sold was of a different grade. Split firewood covered all kinds and the rate fixed by Government for it was 45 cattles per \$1.

PLEA OF GUILTY

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, who appeared for the first four defendants, pleaded guilty and said, in mitigation, that the prosecution could not challenge the fact that firewood other than that bought from Government for sale had to be obtained from wholesale dealers, who imported it from abroad.

Split firewood was, no doubt, first class firewood, according to Mr. Hon, but the firewood sold by his clients had been imported from Singapore and was really first class firewood. It was harder and could return more heat; therefore, it was more expensive and it was impossible for his clients to sell it at Government fixed rate without suffering losses.

It was only the wealthy class who purchased such kind of firewood, the poorer classes being not affected.

FROM ELSEWHERE

Mr. Hon further stated that Government had not much firewood to sell to his clients, and therefore, they had to obtain it from elsewhere.

Mr. Sheldon said that he could not agree with Mr. Hon on that point. In his opinion, the Magistrate added, they had sold firewood at their prices deliberately. The other defendants were undefended, fifth defendant, Kwok Lau, pleading guilty and the other two pleading not guilty.

In each instance, the two testified that they had bought their

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd July to the 24th July inclusive.

By order of the Board,
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General Managers.
Hong Kong, 14th May, 1941.

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Notice to Shareholders.

The Sixtieth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 25th June, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 11th June to the 25th June, 1941, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
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General Agents.
Hong Kong, 4th June, 1941.

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 9th day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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NOTICE is also hereby given that the Singapore Transfer Registers will be closed from Friday, 20th June, to Thursday, 26th June, 1941, both days inclusive, for the preparation of Dividend Warrants.

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LABOUR UNITED

NEVER, perhaps, in the history of the present war has the challenge thrown out to civilisation by Herr Hitler and his gang of murderers and their whole paraphernalia of Fifth Columnists and lying propaganda been so effectively answered as by the declaration which the British Labour Party passed at its Annual Conference yesterday by a huge majority of over two-million votes. "No compromise," in any shape or form, was the theme of every statement made at the conference. The resolute manner in which the Labour Party decided to stand united and determined to help the Government to destroy Hitlerism must have come as a severe shock to the Axis Powers, who have for months now been trying to convince the rest of the world that the British labourer was dissatisfied with the conditions under which he was working and that he was not wholly behind Britain's war effort. The speeches made by Mr. Clement Attlee, Lord Privy Seal and one time leader of the Party, and others who addressed the conference, has proved to the whole world that British Labour is unshaken in its resolve to entertain no peace talks with the enemy until he had been finally defeated.

THIS DECISION, coming as it did after what is generally admitted was a serious reverse for the British and allied arms in Crete, takes on a much greater significance in the circumstances. The one speaker who gave a vague hint of favouring peace in a denunciation of war, moved no doubt by some sort of religious fervour, was eloquently answered by one of the veterans of the Labour movement, an 80-year-old dock worker, who dramatically

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"The good sense of our people is perfectly exemplified in these villages and nothing would disturb Hitler or Goebbels more than to spend a few days in one of them," said MR. HOWARD MARSHALL, when he broadcast from London in the series "NEWS FROM HOME."

Mr. Marshall said that the English villager followed the news and weighed up the prospects with shrewd common sense. The news of the sinking of the Hood and of the Bismarck was received with equally reasonable emotion.

Mr. Marshall said that in response to a letter he had received from a woman in New Zealand in which she said, "We hear so much about the war these days that if you can distract our minds for a few minutes than you have done what we want you to do," he would talk about a delightful village in Wiltshire.

OLD FARMER BARNES

Mr. Marshall related his meeting with old farmer Barnes who had spent the past 50 years of his

life in the hills. Asked if he would like to change his life, the farmer, with the kindly blue eyes and white whiskers, replied, "No. My life is in these fields. I like my time to be long."

Mr. Marshall said he could well realise that an hour in busy London was not more than a minute in this village.

The old farmer wanted to know what London was like with the bombing and Mr. Marshall told him that it was a bit noisy.

"I reckon," farmer Barnes told Mr. Marshall, "some of us by right should be thankful for the good things. They don't just come, they are given to us for sure."

NOT SO EASY

"Maybe in these days," said Mr. Marshall, "it is not so easy for most people in this war ridden world. The old man was right, I shall not forget his words when peace comes again."

Villagers, Mr. Marshall added, were doing all they could to help the war effort. They organised whist drives for funds for Spitfires and assisted in the A.R.P. in addition to their essential farming work.

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The Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. announces that the General Agents and Consulting Committee will, at the forthcoming Meeting of Shareholders to be held on Wednesday, June 25, recommend the payment of a Final Dividend of 57 per share, in respect of Working Account for 1939, and the transfer of the balance of \$765,855.73 to Underwriting Suspense Account; they will further recommend that an Interim Dividend of \$5 per share be paid in respect of Working Account for 1940, and that the balance of \$2,379,370.86 be carried forward.

GAUSS TO CALL ON
CHINESE LEADERS

CHUNGKING, June 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Clarence Gauss, United States Ambassador to China, will shortly call on various Chinese Government leaders, it is learnt here.

Mr. Gauss has already interviewed Dr. H. H. Kung, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Dr. Sun Fo, Mr. Yu Yuen, and Mr. Wang Wen-hao.

It is understood that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is dining with the American Ambassador this evening.

classed the Nazis as "the bloodiest murderers hell ever let loose" and supported the fight for freedom to the very end. Every one of those present at the Labour Party's conference must have realised the grim struggle that lies ahead of Britain. The setbacks Britain has received have, nevertheless, only served to strengthen their confidence in their own ability to meet the totalitarian challenge and convinced them that their efforts to provide the equipment and material which is required for the struggle will not prove unavailing.

THIS SPITTING

FOLLOWING the first prosecution under the anti-spitting Law, the public of Hong Kong will welcome the stern warning given yesterday by the Medical Department of its intention to take similar action against others who disregard the law and continue this disgusting habit in public places. The Medical authorities have asked for the co-operation of the general public in this matter and this should be readily forthcoming, as it is well realised that the task of breaking the indiscriminate spitter of his habit is a somewhat difficult one. It is interesting to read that this subject has been receiving the attention of the health authorities in Singapore and Shanghai and that several difficulties have arisen in these places in putting the

law into effect. Nevertheless, the authorities, with the co-operation of the Police and the public are persisting in their efforts and appear so far to have met with a fair measure of success, though it is admitted that elimination of this nauseating habit entirely will take some time.

THE FIRST step necessary is to define what constitutes spitting under the law. As a Shanghai newspaper humorously asks, can a person be prosecuted for spitting when he is sitting on one of the lions outside the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank and doing no more than eating sun-flower seeds and ejecting the shells from his mouth? What also of the people who chew sugar-cane and spit out the pulp? These may be technical offences against the law, but some clear definition of the act, to bring it within the meaning of the ordinance must be given if its immediate operation is not to become too complicated and intricate. The Medical Department, with Police assistance, should have no difficulty at all, however, in dealing with the very blatant cases of spitting that are common in trams, buses and other public places and a few more prosecutions, with salutary fines, will bring greater realisation to the offenders than is perhaps anticipated. In the interests of the health of the Colony, the Medical Department's decision is, we repeat, most welcome.

CORRESPONDENCE

ROSYLIGHT

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Sir,—Through the medium of your paper may I voice my disappointment over the withdrawal of Rosylight at the last minute at Monday's race meet when punters had already invested thousands of dollars on this pony. One of the local papers mentioned that this pony had gone lame. Should this be correct, I fail to understand why the Stewards should have permitted the pony to be saddled. Punters invested their money only to see that the pony was withdrawn from the race at the last minute.

Being a regular race-goer, and having attended race meetings in the other parts of the Far East, it is usual when a horse is removed from a race for the word "Withdrawn" to be posted on the board. It is then clearly understood that the betting is cancelled.

Yours, etc.
\$250 GONE WEST.

HONGKONG JOCKEY
CLUBClassification Lists
Alterations

Alterations and additions to Classification lists, dated Mar. 23, 1941, are as follows:—

AUSTRALIAN PONIES

To "A" class—Lancashire Chipmains, National Courage.

To "B" class—Cheerful Star, Gay Fox, Lucky Lady.

To "C" class—Crack Shot, Triumphant Day, Devonia, Tropical Love, Leading Star.

To "D" class—Bruno, Gold Rod, Maple Star, Seventy Six, Casino, Hornpipe, Miss Chalfont, Streamlet, Daylight, Look See, Ophir, War Tax.

To "E" class—Buckfastleigh, Double Dutch, National Blessings, National Endurance, Red Rabbit, Rising Star, Rocky Beach, Saratoga, Senorita, Swallow, The Hawk, Willow, Zaddery.

CHINA PONIES

To "B" class—Expansion Time, Hopeful Star, King Kong.

To "C" class—Humdrum Eve, Oscar, Zylch, Red Feather, Well Done.

To "E" class—King's Worthy.

MORE A.I.F.
RECRUITS

Drastic revision of the reserved list of occupations was being considered, said the Army Minister (Mr. Spender) recently.

A number of people was illegally attempting to evade military service by sheltering under the cloak of exempted occupations said Mr. Spender.

The recruiting rate, he said, had risen rapidly since the Greek withdrawal began.

Victoria's high rate of enlistments was maintained, Southern Command said recently.

Every mobile recruiting unit travelling through the country had enlisted a large number of men. However, most enlistments were still from inside Melbourne.

ENLISTS AT 14

A lad of 14 years and seven months enlisted in the A.I.F., but was discharged when his age was discovered by the Attestation Officer (Capt. B. Kerr) at Royal Park camp recently.

The lad, who has worked at labouring, was unusually well developed and received a Fit 1 pass in the medical test, but Capt. Kerr asked for a birth certificate to prove that he was 20.

"He is one of many such lads, young and willing, we have had to turn down," said Captain Kerr. "It is very hard to have to prevent them taking their place when they show such enthusiasm."

NEW DEPOT

So that A.I.F. volunteers can enlist and undergo their medical examinations without a hitch, the lower hall of Melbourne Town Hall will again be made available as a central recruiting depot.

Since intensive recruiting was halted last year, the lower hall has been used by the Victorian division of the Australian Comforts Fund as an administrative, packing and dispatch depot.

The fund offices will be transferred to premises occupied by the Athenaeum Club, Collins-st.

At present A.I.F. volunteers are interviewed at a hut in Swanston-st., outside the Town Hall, but it is necessary for them to visit Royal Park depot for medical examination.

NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE IN
AVIATION: AIR EXPERT ON
FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

"IN AVIATION, NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE. That seems to be the outstanding lesson which every big action of this war has had to teach," said MAJOR OLIVER STEWART, M.C., A.F.C., editor of the London journal "AERONAUTICS" and a well-known authority on aerial warfare, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the developments of aviation in the future.

"From Poland to Crete," continued Major Stewart, "every official and unofficial explanation has had some reference to the German use of aviation. Dive-bombing, parachutes, supply-carrying by air, reconnaissance, troop-carrying gliders, low-flying attacks, etc."

BIG & DECISIVE PART

"Aeroplanes are always going to play a big and decisive part in every German offensive. The enemy's successes have been achieved because he has taken that theme for his operations. It is because we have been too eager to see the limitations of aviation and too slow to see its potentialities that our men have only had to depend on their personal courage to stand up against air attacks."

"It is useful, therefore, to see the possibilities of aeronautics in the war. After all hardly any new development takes place unless it is started by some imaginative idea, and that gradually leads to practical results."

"Crete does show, for the first time, perhaps, what can be done by air-carrying on an immense scale. It does show how the Germans squeezed all possibilities out of aviation and, by so doing, stole a march on us. We must now refuse to accept any limitation for flying. We must put it on more extensively, and we must make it carry not only military supplies, but food, fuel and other materials."

GENERAL IMPLICATIONS

"I should not, of course, describe what we are doing, for obvious reasons, but I can examine the general implications which have now been assembled together in the defeat in Crete."

"First of all, I have always laid down that anything can be carried by air, provided it can be divided up into a number of small parcels. Secondly, anything carried by air can be put down anywhere provided transport aircraft can land slowly. Thirdly, flying attacks can deal decisively with ground troops if it is unopposed from the air. Fourthly increased performance in speed, low-level flying and climb is necessary."

"Now, to take weight-carrying first—the ordinary aeroplanes cannot as yet carry as much as its own empty weight. If you take the Boeing with its four engines, which carries 33 passengers and a crew of five, it works out exactly. The Boeing weighs 30,000 pounds when empty and 45,000 pounds when loaded. So the total load is 15,000 pounds or half the empty weight. A machine to carry a greater load than its own weight, therefore, must be made."

PRESENT POSSIBILITIES

"We have the Douglas B 19, which can carry a 25-ton load, but much of that has to be devoted to crew, fuel, etc. That brings its load down to about 18 tons. So there you have a measure of the present possibilities—18 tons, in one plane. Flying boats can carry bigger loads, but 18 tons is enough to go on with."

"There are many things that can be split into components weighing less than 18 tons and aeroplanes should be carrying more than that soon. If a man can carry his own weight, I think that the aeroplane will be able to do the same."

"There is another technical reason why anything from a bomb to a battleship should now go by air. The navy has recognised the energy with which the Germans used air-carrying in Crete. You will see that that is only the beginning and it is hoped that we shall be the ones to take the next step."

SLOW LANDING

"After weight-carrying, the second point I made is that an aeroplane can put down its weight anywhere, provided it can land slowly. In Crete the Germans used the slow-landing Junkers 52

and the slower-landing glider. A glider land at 30 miles an hour and at that speed it can do a landing without hurting the people inside. Slow-landing speed is as useful in military aviation as in private flying. It is necessary to have weight-carrying aeroplanes or gliders capable of being put down in a small space."

"We cannot make aeroplanes and gliders to land slowly enough and crashing of many machines on landing has to be expected as part of the price to be paid for setting down troops at a stated point. But there is enormous scope for development."

"In 1925 I suggested the development of specialised low-flying aircraft and that bring me to my third point. My suggestion was for an aeroplane carrying one man and one fairly large gun fixed far forward in the line of flight. I suggested this because I had done some experimental work with various forms of low-flying attacks and it proved that high-flying attacks were not easy and that dive-bombing does not give the necessary penetration. Some one is going to bring out such a plane and its ability to attack planes and aerodromes will be enormous."

IMPROVED PERFORMANCE

"My last point was concerned over the need for improvement in aircraft performance. In the carrying of troops this does not need to be very vast. But it only needs to land slowly. I have visualised fighter speeds of 400 miles per hour and in 1925 I found plenty of people who said that that speed was absurd, we are getting on to that now."

"What about the future? We can foresee fighter capable of a speed of 750 miles per hour, which is about the speed of sound and their forward development will take us up to that point. After that, the rate of progress is bound to be slow. After 750 miles an hour, our speed development is likely to be more difficult."

RANGE DEVELOPMENT

Major Stewart went on to comment on the range of future aeroplanes. Here there were many more difficulties. The world's distance record was obtained by the R.A.F. It was 7,159 miles. Already there were planes that had beaten that. The range would go up until a machine could fly round the world at the equator or from north to south, a distance of about 34,900 miles. As the range went up, so will the military value of aircraft to Britain do the same.

The Germans had also obtained further developments. They now had a Messerschmitt 109 F which had had its armaments cut down to allow it to climb higher.

"I have not seen this machine yet," said Major Stewart, "but some of the big bombers the Americans are sending us are also capable of flying at great heights. So there you have the possibilities—weight-carrying, the development of specialised aircraft and a general increase in performance, speed and climb."

NEWSETTES

A Requiem Mass was held in Shanghai on May 23 at the Church of Christ the King on Rue Bourgeat for the late Mr. Oscar Martins Oliveira, aged 59 years, with the Reverend Father John F. Magner officiating, followed by burial at the Bubbling Well Cemetery in the evening where Father Magner conducted the last rites.

In the presence of relative and many friends, funeral services for the late Mr. Francisco Xavier dos Remedios were held in Shanghai on May 23. A Requiem Mass was celebrated at St. Joseph's Church on Rue Montauban in the morning, followed by interment at Pansienjao Cemetery, where the last rites of the Roman Catholic Faith were read by Father Lau-rando.

CHINA CONTINUES WAR FOR THE COMMON CAUSE

It was good to hear from the lips of President Roosevelt, in that broadcast which so thrilled an anxious world, in March, that China is well as Britain is to be a beneficiary of the Lease and Lend Act and the recipient of all the help that the U.S. can give her in her heroic struggle against Japan, writes Lord Lytton. We are apt to forget that China has been at war almost continuously for ten years, and all through that time she has fought single-handed for the same cause which some seven years later we have been compelled to defend in arms.

She has seen her country invaded, her people killed and tortured, her cities bombed from the air without the means either to defend them or to retaliate in kind.

UNDIMINISHED COURAGE
Think for a moment what our plight would be if the splendid young pilots of the R.A.F., who have proved their quality in a thousand air battles, had had no machines in which to meet the German Luftwaffe; if, too, we had had virtually no anti-aircraft guns with which to defend ourselves from the enemy raiders.

Yet that has been the fate of China, and in spite of her poor equipment she has kept up the struggle year after year with undiminished courage and is no nearer being conquered today than she was at the beginning.

LOST OPPORTUNITY
Poor China! If we had helped her more in 1932 we might never have seen the rise of Hitlerism in Germany or the spread of war first into Africa and then into Europe. We have learnt much since then, and so have the people of the United States. China has been very patient. She has not complained. She knew our weakness and had to be content with our sympathy. But now there is a promise that at long last material help will be forthcoming, and she will face her powerful enemy with a new hope.

It is as well for us in Britain to remember that the war for freedom, for a world regulated by law rather than violence, in which we are now so desperately engaged, really began with the attack on Manchuria by Japan in 1931. The one gain from the vast sacrifice of lives in the years 1914-18 was the establishment of a world organisation designed to prevent the recurrence of unprovoked aggression. That was "the lifeline" of our civilisation, the "new order" cemented with the blood of millions. It was Japan, one of the Great Powers who were the principal trustees of that "new order," that struck the first blow at it.

EXAMPLE FOLLOWED
Others have followed her example, with the result that the fellowship of nations dedicated to the outlawry of war has been for the time being destroyed. It will rise again because the world needs it, but if we are to build it more wisely in the future we must not forget who first attacked it and who were its first defenders.

The menace of Hitler and his insatiable ambition for conquest looms so large in our minds today that we are apt to regard the two dictators of Europe as the initiators of that system of deception and violence against which we are fighting. Actually they are but imitators. Japan was the real initiator. She was the first of the Great Powers to violate her treaty obligations, to attack a peaceful and defenceless neighbour; and to introduce the technique of official lying and fabricated "incidents" with which the world has grown so familiar in recent years.

JAPAN'S ORIGINALITY
Almost every action and every formula which today we associate with the two gangsters of Europe was in fact first employed by Japan, the gangster of Asia. The waging of war without previous declaration and calling it peace, the profession of friendship to cover hostile preparations, the engineering of disturbances in a neighbouring State to provide an excuse for armed intervention under the guise of restoring order, the disclaiming of territorial ambition whilst occupying the territory of another country, the establishment of a puppet Government and the making of spurious alliances with them—the "details" of the sinning and denial of the sin.

Japan may claim to be the inventor of them all. China had experienced the activities of Fifth Columnists before the Spanish Civil War had coined the expression. She had her Quislings before Norway was invaded and that gentleman had provided the world with a new international word for "traitor." These things were all happening before our eyes, yet how few people realized in the years 1931-34 what terrible consequences were to follow from the passive acquiescence of the rest of the world in this new form of aggression.

COMMON FRONT

People in this country today are blaming the Balkan States for not uniting in a common defence against the menace of German aggression and pointing out how effective their combination might have been. But in 1931-2 a common front against the first enemy of the collective system was even more needed and was far easier of attainment.

All the other Great Powers in the League were then united, and even the United States, though not in the League, was co-operating with it. The Commission over which I had the honour to preside included representatives of France, Germany, Italy, and the United States, and our report on the Manchurian dispute was unanimous.

The tragic failure to make use of the opportunity for settling the dispute afforded by that report was mainly due to the fact that our Government did not realize the injury which Japan had done to us and to everything which in those days we valued most. They thought only in terms of injury to China, and it did not seem to be in the interests of Britain to defend China against Japan. From that serious miscalculation untold evil has followed. The League of Nations is dead; the whole of Europe is given over to gangster rule and the British Empire, backed by the goodwill and material help of the United States, is fighting almost single-handed for freedom and the democratic ideal.

CHINA'S FIGHTING SPIRIT
After ten years of almost continuous war China's spirit has not been broken. Her sacrifices have only tended to bind her people into a national unity which throughout her long history never existed before. Just as Napoleon was the founder of European nationalism, so Japan is the founder of Chinese nationalism and, like Napoleon, will be destroyed by her own creation. As the war in the Far East was the starting-point of the war in which we are engaged today, so also there can be no settlement in Europe without a fair and durable settlement of the Far Eastern conflict.

The Japanese are a very astute people. They are close students of the situation in Europe and America and have carefully chosen for all their aggressive acts in China times when the rest of the world has been pre-occupied with economic or political crises which made any intervention in the Far East difficult.

FULL CONFIDENCE
They are confident that in a hundred years or so they will have absorbed the Japanese, as they have absorbed all their former conquerors. What matter if for a time their territory is occupied by those who cannot remain there? That was the attitude of the Chinese statesmen whom I met. The Japanese, on the other hand, were already anxious about the day after tomorrow. That day is already nearer, and their anxiety is not likely to have diminished. It will be an interesting experience for Mr. Matsuo, who started the delegates at Geneva by his browbeating methods in 1932-3, to meet the men who have far surpassed him in the same technique. He must know, as his colleagues in Tokyo must know, that when the battle for freedom has been won in Europe the day of reckoning will dawn in Asia. The wrong done to Abyssinia is already being redressed. The day of restitution in China is not far distant.

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter).—A column of enemy troops and an armed trawler were attacked by R.A.F. fighters, operating over Northern France and the Channel yesterday. Our aircraft returned safely, states the Air Ministry.

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THE EX-EMPEROR

U.S. AIRMEN, MECHANICS FOR CHINA

WASHINGTON, June 4 (Reuter).—Reuter learns from reliable sources that a scheme whereby American airmen and mechanics will be allowed to proceed to China to assist her in the defence of her independence is now really well under way.

The American airmen are said to have been proceeding to China in small numbers at least for three months and when the planes en route and other shipments reach China, they will be the nucleus of a formidable air force to meet Japanese bombers attacking the Chungking-Burma Road.

It is expected China's revived air force will shortly be able to adequately protect supplies going over the Burma Road and make further raids on Chungking and the cities too expensive to be continued.

Many planes en route to China are stated to be of the fast Curtiss P40 type.

Rumania To Become "Totalitarian"

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter).—Rumania is shortly to become a "Totalitarian State without a Parliament," according to a Bucharest despatch to the Italian news agency.

General Antonescu, the agency adds, will recast his government "in a more normal form," replacing the generals who have been holding ministerial office since January last, with technicians and politicians.

He will then proclaim a new state organisation which will provide for the abolition of parliament and its substitution by national representation founded on corporative principles, concludes the message.

ADMIRAL DARLAN'S "ABSURD" POLICY

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter).—Two members of the Vichy Embassy in Ankara have resigned in protest against Admiral Darlan's policy of collaboration with Germany. They are Counsellor Jean Deslaine and the Second Secretary, Jean Bergner.

Announcing this late last night from Ankara radio, Martin Agronsky, correspondent of the N. B. C., said French diplomats described Admiral Darlan's policy as "absurd and dishonourable."

DEVELOPMENTS IN SYRIA

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Though there is no confirmation in London of the arrival of German troops in Syria, this does not mean there are none there although it is not thought their numbers can be very large.

The British authorities in the Near East can be relied upon to have full knowledge of all that the Germans are doing, but for security reasons they are not likely to spread abroad just what information they possess.

ALL EYES ON SYRIA

All eyes were now focussed on Syria, stated MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY in a news commentary broadcast from London last night, adding that there now came a report that Vichy had told the Germans to clear out of Syria. It could be assumed the report was of German origin and we have had plenty of previous ex-

Regrettable "Incident" In Hankow

JAPANESE CONSUL LODGES PROTEST

SHANGHAI, June 4 (Reuter).—The Japanese Consul-General at Hankow has protested to the British Consul-General over a "very regrettable incident" involving a boy of the Hankow Club who is stated to be a member of Chungking's Blueshirt organisation, revealed the Japanese Army spokesman at yesterday's press conference here.

He said that the Chinese boy, named Liu, 38, who had been in the Club's service for 10 years, was found to be a member of the Blueshirts.

On the night of May 19, the police arrested Liu who confessed that arms were concealed within the compound of the Club. Thereupon, the Japanese Gendarmie conducted a search on May 28 in the presence of the British Consul, the Chairman and Japanese Consul.

HAND-GRENADES

The spokesman declared that two revolvers, five hand-grenades and two bombs were found under the floor behind the bar-counter, as well as revolver bullets, and revealed that the arms belonged to terrorist agents of Chungking.

According to the spokesman, Liu was acting as liaison officer of the Hupai Information Bureau which was stated to be under Chungking's Military Council.

CONVOY ATTACK IS RECALLED

R.A.F. Officer Wins D.F.C. Award

LONDON, June 4 (British Wireless).—An Officer of the R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve who led a formation of aircraft which attacked a convoy of shipping near Boulogne wins the D.F.C. in the latest list of R.A.F. awards.

The list includes one bar to the D.F.C., seven D.F.C.s and two D.F.M.s.

This officer, in spite of intense fire from a convoy, obtained two direct hits on the largest vessel which it was later learnt was sunk.

A bar to the D.F.C. is awarded Flight-Lieut. J. E. McFall, who, during the enemy advance in Libya in May, 1941, "performed splendid work in conveying vital information to various commanders."

N.Z. PERSONNEL FOR ROYAL NAVY

LONDON, June 4 (BWS).—A further draft of New Zealand personnel for seamen and Fleet Air Arm branches of the Royal Navy has arrived in Britain from the Dominion and was welcomed at the port of arrival on behalf of the New Zealand High Commissioner by a senior officer of his staff.

Another draft of reinforcements for the New Zealand forestry unit in Britain also arrived recently.

BANGKOK, June 4 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the Premier, Pibul Songgram, yesterday morning cordially received the British Minister, Sir Josiah Crosby, and conversed on foreign affairs for an hour.

Commodity Racket In France

NEW YORK, June 4 (Reuter).—Price scales of commodities in France have taken up so many columns in the Journal Officiel that it has now been decided to issue a special publication called the Bulletin Officiel Du Service Des Prix, says the NEW YORK TIMES Vichy correspondent.

The correspondent adds that when all prices have been calculated, tabulated and co-ordinated, more often than not the commodity affected simply vanishes from the market overnight.

A few days ago, prices were set for vegetables. This morning there were practically no vegetables on sale. Housewives are indignant and talk of profiteers and racketeers who, because they have means, can patronise black markets, and each day they tell their husbands that it is impossible to live on present salaries.

AIR RAID DAMAGE

HEALTH MINISTER GIVES DETAILS OF REPAIR

Interesting details of how the problem of air raid damage was being tackled all over the country were given by MR. ERNEST BROWN, Minister of Health, at the conclusion of a tour of the bombed areas.

Mr. Brown said that 80 per cent of the repairable houses had already been made wind and watertight. Up to last week, 32,000 houses had been repaired in this way in London alone and 40,000 in the provinces.

The damage to private houses in London was greater than the rest of the country put together. Throughout the country, 80,000 men were at work in repair squads.

FOR 62 YEARS
Referring to the difficulty of persuading people to leave badly damaged houses, Mr. Brown quoted an instance where a house was left with only one room habitable. He asked an old lady of 84 why she had not moved to the billet offered her and her reply was that she had lived in that house for 62 years and did not intend to move out now.

"It is quite obvious," said Mr. Brown, "that the people regard it as a matter of honour and pride not to allow Hitler to drive them from their homes."

BRAINSTORM THEORY

Two days before making an attack on his wife and seriously wounding her, a man visited his solicitors and made a will more favourable to her.

This was revealed at Peterborough Quarter Sessions, when Sidney Frank Yeldham, 60, grocer, of York-road, New England, pleaded guilty to wounding his wife, Mrs. Annie Mabel Yeldham. Mr. S. E. Elborne, prosecuting, stated that on Feb. 25 last Yeldham dashed out of the house crying "Arrest me, I have murdered my wife."

The police arrived to find him comforting his wife, who was lying in bed with a serious head injury, having been hit with a bottle.

IDEALLY IN LOVE
Witnesses spoke about the change in the will, and said the couple had been married 40 years, and were "ideally in love with each other." Yeldham was a much respected business man.

An explanation for the offence, advanced by Mr. S. E. Pocock, defending, was that Yeldham, a highly-strung man, had a brain-storm.

When air-raid sirens went he became upset, and said to people, "I wonder what my poor wife is doing now?"

Perhaps the war depressed him, stated Mr. Pocock, but at any rate he had great protective instinct for his wife.

Judge Woodcock, K.C., announcing that Yeldham would be bound over, said he would remain in custody until such time as an institution could be found to which he would go for a period of treatment.

ROME, June 4 (Reuter).—The Hungarian Prime Minister arrived in Rome today and was met by Signor Mussolini and Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister.

Successful Exhibition By Schools

Some 5,000 to 6,000 schoolchildren visited the Hongkong Schools' Exhibition of Arts and Crafts at the Northcote Training College yesterday, and the tremendous response plus the sight of long lines of children waiting to get in during the morning hours of the exhibition may have resulted in a decision being taken to continue it tomorrow adding another day to what was originally planned.

Interest centred in the demonstrations conducted on the first floor, and Tse Hin-ho, of St. Paul's College, who specialises in creating models of animals from discarded fishbones was surrounded by quite a few admirers, as were most of the other boys engaged in rattan work, clay work, model making and other hobbies.

MOST INTERESTING

One of the most interesting exhibits and one that came in late was that of the Un Long Government School. The schoolchildren at Un Long sent in a large collection of miniature models of the agricultural implements in use by farmers in the New Territories, including models of the larger machinery, making quite a composite collection.

Exhibits were also sent by several firms in the Colony interested in the exhibition, including Arts and Handicraft Limited, the Sincere Co. Ltd., Kwong Hing, Kelly and Walsh, the Challenge Bookshop and Der A. Wing and Co. Ltd.

18 Thousand Prisoners Taken

Eighteen thousand prisoners have been taken in the battle of the lakes, in Abyssinia, states a message from Nairobi.

These include 5,872 Europeans and more than 12,000 Africans. In addition, the British have taken 13 tanks, seven armoured cars and 85 guns.

The fighting is described as being very sharp and the enemy launched counter-attacks, supported by tanks.

The general advance of the British forces is continuing, it is added.

ARMY MEN TO STUDY COURT PROCEDURE

Some 30 servicemen of the Middlesex Regiment were present at Kowloon Court yesterday when they watched cases being tried by the Magistrates. It is understood the men were detailed to spend a day of the morning in the Courts, observing court procedure.

WASHINGTON, June 4 (Reuter).—Ships flying the United States flag will replace British ships on runs between North America, Australia and New Zealand.

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Boy Cadets Donate Cots To British

Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y.—One hundred and fifty cadets of the New York Military Academy here will sleep on the ground during their annual encampment in order that 150 British boys and girls may have cots in their air-raid shelters.

The cots, donated to Bundles for Britain, Inc., by the cadets, were piled on Army trucks at the academy today and transported to that organisation's warehouse at 113 West Eighty-ninth Street, New York. With them went fifty bundles of suits, shoes and underclothes, likewise donated by the corps of cadets.

Recently there was an all-out inspection at the academy. When the formation had been dismissed the boys went to their barracks and carrying out a plan that school officers said was wholly their own idea—toted their cots to the parade ground.

GIFTS BLESSED

The cots and the other gifts were blessed by the school chaplain, Captain John Francis Hagen, before they were loaded on the trucks this morning. With a cadet guard, and escorted by details of New York State and New Jersey police, the cots were taken to the warehouse, where two officials of Bundles for Britain—Mrs. Paul White and Miss Ann Emmet—received them.

A spokesman for Bundles for Britain said that the cadets' gifts would be immediately sorted and packed for inclusion in the next shipment to England.

With the gifts will go 200 letters written by cadets to the British children—whose names are, of course, unknown, but who eventually will receive the cots and clothes. The letters will be distributed by Mrs. Edward R. Morrow, London representative of the organisation.

Director Of British Information Services

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter).—It has been decided to entrust the direction of the existing British information services in the United States to Sir Gerald Campbell, now serving as British Minister in Washington, in response to the increasing demand in the United States for fuller and more complete information concerning Britain's war effort and for improvement of the supply of news from British sources; it is announced in London.

Sir Gerald, whose office will be in New York, will relinquish his appointment as Minister in order to assume that of Director General of the British Information Services.

Sir Gerald was High Commissioner in Canada until Mr. Malcolm MacDonald was appointed to that position early this year. He has had long experience of the United States and is very popular there.

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Friday, the 6th June, 1941.

commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 35, Hankow Road, Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

comprising:

Teakwood Bed Room, Dining Room, Drawing Room, Office and Rattan Furniture, Porcelain, Glass, Brass and E. P. Ware, Rugs, Carpets, Gramophones & Records, Electric Lamps, Pictures, Ornaments, Cutlery, Gas & Cooking Stoves, Kitchen Utensils, etc., etc.

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and

1 Grand Piano
1 Bed Room Suite
1 "Philco" Radio
1 "Philips" Radio (all wave)

On View from Thursday, the 5th June, 1941.

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LAMMERT BROS. AUCTIONEERS.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

STOLE P. W. D. PULLEY

Ho Ngau, 20, unemployed, was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K. C., yesterday, when he pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing an iron pulley, belonging to the P. W. D., at Des Voeux Road West, near Western Street.

It was stated that defendant had a previous conviction for forestry offence.

Det.-Sgt. C. Pope prosecuted.

FACTORY MGR. FINED

The manager of the Kung Wo Cheung Joss Paper Company, No. 26-28, Smithfield, Kennedy Town, appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday on three summonses of opening and using the said premises as a workshop, such places not having been registered, allowing eight children, their ages ranging approximately between 10 and 13, and 52 women to be working there at 9.20 p.m. on May 19, which offences are a breach of the Factories and Workshops Ordinance.

Defendant pleaded guilty, but added that he was ignorant of the regulations, since he had only been there for a very short time.

Labour Insp. E. C. Drown said that he inspected the premises, where he found conditions to be very bad as a result of complaints received from nearby tenants that the factory was working at night. A fine of \$50 on each summons was imposed.

GAMBLERS IN COURT

Pong Tung, 42, unemployed, was fined \$50 or one month's hard labour by Mr. Sheldon yesterday for keeping a common gaming house for the purpose of "tse tam" lottery at No. 424, Lockhart Road, second floor.

A similar fine was imposed on Tang Fat, 23, unemployed, for running a common gaming house for the same purpose at No. 6, Min Fat Street, ground floor.

A total of \$2.12 picked up in the raids was ordered to be donated to the Poor Box.

Det.-Sgt. J. Bentley prosecuted. Two juveniles, one aged 14 and the other 16, were fined \$20 or one month each in the Juvenile Court for operating similar gambling houses at No. 117, Second Street, ground floor, and No. 90, First Street, ground floor, respectively.

Det.-Sgt. C. Pope was in charge of the cases.

EXPORT OF COTTON YARN

A trading trader, Hui Yeung, 24, of No. 83, Connaught Road West, first floor, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday on counts of exporting 16 bales of cotton yarn out of the Colony per the s.s. Tai Po Shek, and placing the same on board the boat at China Merchant's Wharf, without permission from the proper authorities in both cases.

Mr. M. A. da Silva, on behalf of defendant, pleaded guilty to the first charge, but denied the second count.

The plea was not accepted by the prosecuting officer, Revenue Officer W. V. Ahern, and hearing of the case was fixed for June 13 at 11.30 a.m., defendant being allowed \$100 bail.

THEFT OF FOUNTAIN PEN

Pleading guilty to a charge of stealing a fountain pen, valued at \$2, from a seaman, Tse Chung-sing, at Connaught Road Central on June 3, Lam Po, 17, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Defendant admitted one previous conviction.

Acting Sub-Insp. A. E. Banks prosecuted.

ALLEGED RECEIVERS

Two persons were remanded until tomorrow by Major A. N. Macfadyen yesterday on a charge of unlawfully receiving two and a half tons of rivets, worth \$1,694, the property of the Talkoo Docks, in Vaccinis Yard at No. 150, Electric Road on June 3, knowing them to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained.

Defendants are a broker, Lo Tak-hin, 36, of No. 170, Jaffe Road, ground floor, and a clerk, Chung Yung-ping, 32, of No. 435, King's Road, second floor, who were allowed bail of \$1,000 and \$500 respectively.

Sgt. W. L. Kinloch is in charge of the case.

A FINAL SEARCH

At the resumed hearing yesterday of the case in which Yuen Yee-man, of No. 113, Woo Sang Street, second floor, is charged with receiving trading junk No. T406H, alleged to have been stolen from Ng Kan-fai outside the Colony on May 22 last, Mr. Hin-

shing Lo, for the prosecution, applied for an adjournment of the case so as to make a final search of a material witness, whom it was stated, could not be located up till then.

The application was granted and the date for the next hearing was fixed for Saturday at 10.30 a.m.

Mr. C. Y. Kwan appeared for the defence, while Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman was present for the Police.

WARNED HAWKER

Alleged to have given warning to an unlicensed hawk, Wong Sai-ngau, 18, unlicensed hawk, was charged before Mr. Lowry yesterday with obstructing P. C. 681, Leung Kau, at Des Voeux Road Central, near Queen Victoria Street, on June 2.

Defendant was fined \$1.

Sub-Insp. T. K. Whelan, prosecuted.

AT KOWLOON

HEARING FIXED

Shek Wal, 41, seaman, Cheung Shu, 34, engineer, Chan Wal, 47, coxswain, Ho Fat, 41, cook, Fan Wal, 38, stoker, Cheung Kam-chuen, 17, boy, employees on board a steam launch of the Standard Vacuum Oil Company, appeared before Mr. H. C. Macnamara yesterday charged with larceny by servant of one ton of fuel oil valued at \$110 on May 31, from the launch they were working on. Defendants were additionally charged with larceny of one ton of fuel oil, valued at \$110, on May 21 from the launch they were working on.

Last defendant was discharged owing to insufficient evidence. Chan Yan, 20, shop-keeper, Fung Ho, 26, sanitary cooler, Ho Kai, 30, unemployed, Kam Yee, shop-fork, were charged with receiving on the first charge, but second and fourth defendants were discharged owing to insufficient evidence.

Cheung Nam, 40, shop master in Tsun Wan, charged with receiving on the second charge, was allowed bail of \$150 on the application of Mr. C. Y. Kwan who is appearing for defendant.

Several of the defendants pleaded guilty and hearing was adjourned to June 17, at 2.30 p.m. Det.-Sgt. Shaw was in charge of the prosecution, while Mr. Larson was present on behalf of Standard Vacuum Oil Company.

SUMMONSES WITHDRAWN

Ten rice summonses were withdrawn by the Police before Mr. Macnamara yesterday.

Defendants, charged with selling rice in excess of the maximum price fixed by the Controller of Food, were Chan Tat, of No. 92, Peiho Street, ground floor; Wong Kai, of 185 Lai Chi Kok Road, ground floor; Cheng In-gam, of 101 Nanchang Street, ground floor; Yeung Tze-mei, of 95 Kwelin Street, ground floor; Chan Shuhong, of 177 Lai Chi Kok Road, ground floor; Chan Wal-chuen, 287 Tai Nam Street, ground floor; Tsang Chi of 5 Cedar Street, ground floor; Yung Nam of 102 Prince Edward Road, ground floor; Cheung Fan, of 99 Nanchang Street, ground floor and Leung Kau of 242 Shanghai Street, ground floor.

First defendant was represented by Mr. Leo d'Almada, Snr. second, third, fourth and fifth defendants by Mr. F. G. Nigel of Johnston, Stokes & Master, while the other defendants were not legally represented.

Inspector Nollith was present for the Police.

UNREGISTERED SCHOOL

Soo Hung-sui, manager of a school at 252-262 Portland Street, first floor, was charged before Mr. Macnamara yesterday with using the ground floor of 252-262 for school purposes and not registering same, which is an offence under section 7 of the Education Ordinance, 1913.

Mr. J. M. Wilson, Acting Senior Inspector of Schools, stated that the School's Health Inspector visited the registered school at 252-262 Portland Street, first floor, on April 18 and asked for the headmistress. A person came forward and stated that she was the headmistress. The S.H.I. enquired of her who used the ground floor and she affirmed that she did, but immediately upon stating that he would like to see the premises, she retracted her statement. Upon leaving the S.H.I. went to the ground floor but he was refused admission.

According to Mr. Wilson's records, the headmistress of this school is the wife of the manager, Mr. Soo Hung-sui.

In a letter dated Apr. 18, Mr. Soo Hung-sui stated that he had arranged to hire the ground floor of No. 252-262 Portland Street as an extension to his school and asked for forms for registration.

Defendant was fined \$150.

SENT TO SESSIONS

Pun Chan, Chim Sing, Chim Chung, Chim Fuk-ming, Chim Kwong and Pun Choi were committed to the Criminal Sessions by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson yesterday on a charge of robbery, by two or more, of one canvas belt, containing \$465 in Chinese currency, and two cars from On Hin-sau, on board an unlicensed fishing boat, near the Nine Pins Islands in the waters of the Colony on May 18.

About 8 a.m. on May 18, Lui Chi-fa was sailing in a boat with another six persons near Nine Pins when another boat, with the defendants on board, approached. When a few yards away it was seen that defendants were armed with a revolver and three rifles. They boarded complainant's boat.

After the alleged stealing, the defendants returned to their boat and sailed away in a northerly direction.

Shortly after, a Naval patrol vessel came on the scene and the defendants were taken on board the vessel.

Defendants were taken to the Water Police Station where Sgt. McCarthy took charge.

The defendants denied possessing firearms.

Det.-Sgt. J. Allen prosecuted.

STOLE ARMY PROPERTY

Chan Luk, 43, appeared before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson yesterday on a charge of larceny of a coil of barbed wire, property of the Military Authorities, from the Hillside at Wong Tin Sin in Kowloon City on June 2.

Det.-Sgt. Dowman asked that a serious view be taken as there had been numerous thefts of this kind lately.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed.

BURGLAR GAOLED

Fung Shing, 40, unemployed, was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. Anderson yesterday when charged with being found at No. 292 Prince Edward Road, residence of Mr. W. G. Griffin.

Det.-Sgt. Dowman, prosecuting, said that defendant was found in the sitting room of the above address by Mrs. Griffin on June 3 at 1.50 p.m. The Police was informed and the defendant arrested.

Defendant stated that he went there with the intention of stealing, as he was sick and needed money for medicine.

RECEIVING CHARGE

An unemployed, Chiu Wan-cheung, alias Chiu Kai, 40, appeared before Mr. Anderson yesterday on a charge of receiving stolen property on May 30, and was remanded for three days.

Defendant was alleged to have received 333 bags of fertilizer, three bicycles, one bag of sugar and 32 cases of matches. He was further alleged to have received junk No. T3608H in the harbour of the Colony.

Det.-Sgt. H. T. Matches is in charge of the case.

D. O. SOUTH

PRISON AND EXPULSION

When Liu Yuk-fong appeared, on remand, before Mr. S. F. Balfour yesterday charged with loitering in a dwelling house for an unlawful purpose on June 1, he was additionally charged with having broken into house No. 22 and stealing four Annam dollar notes, the property of Mr. Carter, on May 24, at Cheung Chau.

On conviction, he was sentenced to one month's hard labour, and also ordered to be expelled from the Colony.

STOLE CLOTHING

An additional charge of breaking into dwelling house No. 22, Cheung Chau, with intent to commit a felony was preferred against Lo Kwai-ying when he appeared, on remand, before Mr. Balfour yesterday charged with the theft of two suits of cotton clothing, the property of Chan Kwong, on May 19, and larceny of 18 gramophone records between May 6 and May 11, the property of Yip Hong.

He was sentenced to one month and was bound over in the sum of \$50.

RECEIVER GAOLED

Sentence of a month's hard labour was passed on Chung Yik-lun when he appeared on remand before Mr. Balfour on charges of receiving one suit of cotton cloth-

Brutal Murder Of Police Constable: Death Sentence Passed On Paint Scraper

"I WANT THE INSPECTOR AND THE OTHER WITNESSES TO FACE ME SO THAT I CAN CHALLENGE them. I have not myself cross-examined any of the witnesses personally," stated So Shing, 23-year-old odd job paint scraper, when he was asked what he had to say before death sentence was passed on him by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

So Shing was found guilty of the murder of a Shantung constable, D187 Wang Teh-shing, on the north-west slopes of Victoria Peak, above Po Shan Road, on Mar. 24.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, assisted by Det.-Insp. L. R. Whant, appeared for the prosecution, and the accused was defended by Mr. George She, instructed by Mr. H. A. de Barros Botelho.

The following jury was empaneled:—Messrs. C. F. Pragnell (Foreman), Irving T. Hu, Tsol Keung, Lee Shui-cheung, Chan Kin-kung, F. J. Elarte and Kwok Yu-kun.

SALIENT FEATURE

Addressing the jury at the resumed hearing yesterday, Mr. Murphy said that one salient feature which the jury must consider when they deliberate on the verdict was that whether the prisoner was on the slopes of Victoria Peak at noon on Mar. 24 or, as he had said, he was elsewhere.

Counsel said that the Crown's case rested on the evidence of Li Ho and Kwong Lai-choi who were both attacked by the defence. You had seen the witnesses, Mr. Murphy said, and you were the judges of their reliability as to whether they were speaking the truth.

Mr. Murphy submitted that the story of accused's brother could not be believed and one which, in all the important details, contradicted the story of accused.

SUMMING-UP

In his summing-up the Chief Justice referred to the expert evidence of Prof. R. C. Robertson and Dr. R. E. Alvares.

Prof. Robertson, his Lordship said, testified that the wound was inflicted with great force and which probably was caused by a three-cornered file. Dr. Alvares gave evidence that he found human blood on the file and on the shirt which were found among the belongings of the accused.

The defence, his Lordship said, was an alibi—that he was not there at all. He pointed out that this particular line of defence called for the accused, if he said he could not possibly be there, to establish the fact by witnesses.

Accused's story that he went to Shamshuipo was not corroborated in that no one had come forward to say that he had been seen or heard or to say what accused had done that day. His Lordship also pointed out that there was no corroboration about accused's evidence of buying the files from a shop in Upper Lascar Road.

BRUTAL MURDER

His Lordship concluded by saying that there had been no suggestion that the offence could be reduced to one of manslaughter. If accused struck the blow he deliberately and brutally murdered the constable.

After a retirement of 75 minutes the jury returned their verdict. Before passing the death penalty his Lordship told accused that he had been found guilty on the clearest evidence. He had deliberately and brutally murdered a member of the police force and for that offence the law provided only one sentence.

ing on May 19, and four gramophone records between May 6 and May 11, knowing them to be stolen. He was additionally charged with breaking into dwelling house No. 22 with intent to commit a felony on May 24.

Accused was further ordered to make good the bond of \$500 entered into by him for a previous offence, failing which he was to serve another month's imprisonment.

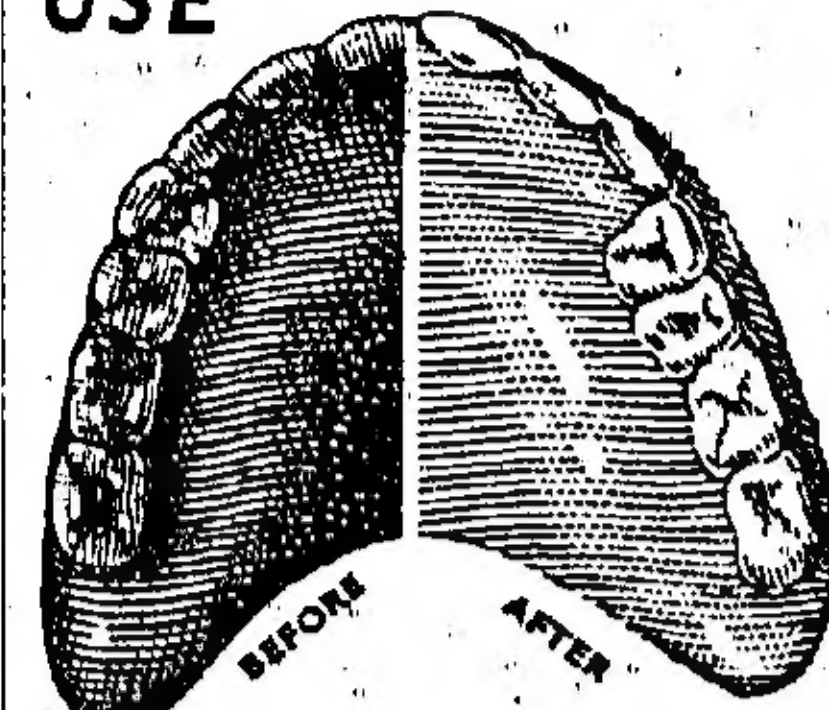
MARINE COURT

ILLEGAL BOARDING

Leung Sing, 24, and Ma Sing, 23, shop folks, were fined \$30 each by Commander T. C. Stiff yesterday when they pleaded guilty to having on Tuesday boarded a vessel in harbour without the permission of the master or the officer in charge.

DUMPING RUBBISH

A fine of \$5 was imposed on a boatman who pleaded guilty to having dumped rubbish into the harbour.

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Even false teeth engraved with age-old stains can be made clean and fresh as new with 'Steradent'—the newly discovered dental cleanser. The amazing effectiveness of this scientific cleanser has been proved by Mr. A. H., who writes: 'Some months ago I bought a mouthpiece, the result seems almost incredible. My teeth were in a filthy state, I have had them about 15 years. I am not quite sure whether they look better than they did when they came from the dentist but do assure you they are like new teeth.'

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Time And Tide

HERE come The Twins at last, uncanny and charming as ever. Too late to offer them tea, of course, with the hands of the cabin chronometer standing at an uncomplaining six-fifteen. And so the visit will develop once again into an informal cocktail party—as The Twins have quite possibly foreseen. Luckily there is still a shot or two of gin in the cabin locker, and a tall bottle of Rose's Lime Juice in a

cunningly constructed rack. The Twins are quite firm about this gin and time. 'You know it helps to keep those slender graceful figure lines which appeal to yachtsmen like some shapely beauty from the yard of a master-builder. The yachting world bestows no higher praise. And never by any chance can there be the tiniest trace of a headache after Rose's, an important point for young ladies as popular as these unrepentant Twins.'

HOW BBC NEWS STORIES ARE RECORDED

CONTINUED FROM YESTERDAY

The power-supply unit contains a motor-generator and smoothing circuits for the high-tension supply to the amplifier, the controls necessary for the low-tension circuits, and a variable resistance for regulating the speed of the turn-table. This unit is elastically mounted to reduce vibration and supplies direct current at four hundred volts; it is driven by the accumulator battery. There are two small circuit breakers, one to control the motor-generator and the other to control the filament supply to the amplifier; these switch off the current if an accidental short circuit occurs.

In order that the equipment can be assembled and put into operation with the least possible delay, the connections between the various units are made by means of inter-connecting cables fitted with plugs and sockets, the cables being carefully screened, where necessary, to prevent electrical interference.

The whole of the equipment operates from two batteries, each consisting of five nickel-iron accumulator cells. On of the batteries has a capacity of a hundred and twenty ampere-hours and the other of eighty ampere-hours, the supply for the filaments being taken from the larger battery. The turn-table motor and the motor-generator take their supply from the two batteries connected in series.

The equipment is normally carried in a fourteen-horse-power saloon car. The supply unit stands on the floor behind the driver's seat. The amplifier rests on the top of it and the recording machine stands on the rear seat of the car. The batteries are carried in the luggage boot and their connecting cables run through the back of the rear seat.

The luggage boot also contains cable drums holding up to four hundred yards of screened microphone cable, telephone sets for communication between the microphone points, and the recording engineer in the car, the three-channel mixer, loudspeakers, a telescopic microphone stand, and a kit of tools. These are also headphones for checking the programme when it is not convenient to use a loudspeaker.

WE ARE NOW TAKING YOU OVER TO...

When the records have been made, they are either taken to one of the BBC studio centres or played back in the car itself, the output being connected by a telephone line to the studio centre. Lines used for the transmission of a programme are specially tested by the lines engineers of the BBC and 'equalized' so that they respond equally to all frequencies within the range necessary for the faithful transmission of music.

For reproducing recordings in this way, the car is taken to a telephone exchange where connections can be made directly to the telephone lines. In order that the recording may be started at precisely the right moment to fit into the broadcast programme of which it is to form part, it is necessary for the recording engineer in the car to hear the cue which is the signal for him to lower the pick-up on the record and 'fade up' the output. This cue may either be taken on another telephone line from the studio centre, or it may be heard on a portable receiver turned to the programme in which the recording is to be inserted.

In the latter case, the recording engineer will hear the announcer say: 'We are now taking you over to...' to hear our observer, whose commentary has been recorded earlier today—or the commentator may speak directly at the microphone, starting on a signal from the engineer, to link together the various recorded items into a connected story. Each section of the recording is then played over at the appropriate points in the observer's talk.

Smooth presentation of this type of programme demands close co-operation and complete understanding between the recording engineer and the programme staff both at the outside broadcast point and in the studio centre. Although the equipment is normally operated from the car while stationary, recordings have been made while on the move—following processions, in aeroplanes in the air, in express trains, at sea, and even in a submarine diving.

THE BBC'S RECORDING UNITS ON ACTIVE SERVICE

Since the beginning of the war, some of the mobile recording units and the men who use them have been seen in dangerous and exciting service. On the declaration of war one of the saloon cars was loaded on to a cross-channel steamer at Dover. It passed through the French customs without delay, and was driven to Paris, where it was

left for a time in a deep garage ready for action. When BBC war correspondents were allowed to accompany the B.E.F. early in October 1939, the BBC unit, consisting of a commentator, a programme official, and an engineer took possession of the car. Accommodation was provided at G.H.Q. and an attic was made into a small studio.

During the winter, the extreme cold made it difficult to cut good records, partly because frost patterns formed on the blank discs and affected the surface, and partly because the liquid in the batteries was affected. Temperatures as low as forty degrees Fahrenheit below freezing were encountered, and the engineer even had to take the discs to bed in order that they might be in good condition for cutting next day.

One of the many programmes recorded by this unit took place in the Maginot Line, where the apparatus was taken out of the car and set up on a truck on the miniature railway system which ran through the underground forts. Another was the recording of a march past of the band of the Chasseurs Alpins, which was taken at six o'clock in the morning in a blinding snow-storm in the Jura Mountains.

TO BE CONCLUDED

FUKIEN INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

YUNGAN, June 4 (Central).—The Fukien Industrial Corporation, Ltd., operated by the Fukien Provincial Government was formally inaugurated at a ceremony yesterday. General Chen Yi, Fukien Governor, and several hundred guests were present.

The Corporation is responsible for the execution of the industrial and mining sections of Fukien's 5-Year Economic Reconstruction Project.

Raw materials used in these factories are mostly produced in Fukien.

The Corporation has now 3,500 staff members and workers.

Changsha Enjoined To Practice Economy

CHANGSHA, June 4 (Central).—The Changsha Garrison Headquarters yesterday issued a proclamation ordering the populace to practice strict economy.

Meals at restaurants must not cost more than \$2 per capita. Restaurants that violate the ruling will be closed down.

Government officials are not allowed to give private feasts. Violators will be severely punished.

Government officials are allowed to give only tea reception in celebration of their own or their sons' or daughters' marriage.

All amusement houses in the city are to be closed down.

Reconstruction Work In Interior

CHUNGKING, June 4 (Central).—To induce Chinese technical men stranded in Hongkong and Shanghai to go to the interior and take part in productive and reconstructive work the Association for the Readjustment of Personnel for Wartime Social Services has announced that the Association is ready to lend them travelling expense.

If they fail to find any employment on arrival at their destinations, the Association is willing to lend them living expenses for as long as half a year. These may be repaid by instalments after they have found employment.

The Association will also help them in seeking for jobs.

Finance and Commerce

MARKET REPORT

FROM ROZA BROS.

Wednesday, June 4.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 237/18 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advances reported the market as being steady with no business done. American Silver was quoted at 343/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 403 1/2.

MARKET

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 up to August, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

No business was reported. There were sellers at 243/8 for near and forward, buyers at 247/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 454 1/4 with business done at 454 1/2 followed by transactions at 454 1/4, 454 and 453 3/4. The market closed with sellers at 453 1/4, buyers at 453 3/4 for Spot.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 39/32 and closed with sellers at 39/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 51 1/2 and closed with sellers at 53/8 for Spot.

CHINA'S SILK INDUSTRY IS HARD HIT

While most of the silk filatures in Shanghai have to suspend business in view of difficulties in obtaining cocoons from the occupied interior, as revealed in recent Chinese reports, silkworm-raising farmers in the most important silk producing district, Wushih, have suffered a great loss owing to the decreased volume of export business not only in Shanghai but also in foreign countries.

Besides, the weather this year has been extremely unfavourable to the business, the changeable weather during the past few months having caused numerous silkworms to die.

The gloomy outlook of this important Chinese export business is revealed in a most detailed way by a Central China Daily News correspondent writing from Wushih, who asserts that the future of the trade is very gloomy. The farmers made a big profit last year and encouraged by this fact they continued their business in this year with more enthusiasm.

Unexpectedly, the weather played havoc with silkworms. Following many warm days the weather suddenly became cold for a few days, during which the farmers had to sacrifice numerous silkworms.

CROP DEPLETED

The weather in Wushih during the past week has been good but experts say that the farmers have already lost heavily and that the spring crop of cocoons will only be between 50 or 70 per cent. when compared with previous years of good harvest.

Farmers growing mulberry have also sustained a great loss through the reduction of the price of mulberry leaves consequent upon the bad cocoon crop. During the prosperity period last year, it is said, the price of mulberry was \$40 per picul, but it has now been reduced to between \$12 and \$13.

FILATURE BUSINESS

The silk filature business in Wushih is second only to Shanghai but now it is on the decline. During the prosperity period there were more than 50 filatures in the district having more than 10,000 machines and feeding more than 500,000 workers.

After the hostilities in the district, the Central China Silk Company came into existence and co-operation between the Japanese and Chinese was later responsible for the establishment of ten big silk filatures. They made so big a profit that about 300 small silk filatures sprang up like mushrooms.

MANY BAD FACTORS

Owing to lack of the outlet of their products and the bad cocoon crop only about 50 of these 300 silk filatures are planning to reopen for business. Despite the Japanese control, the correspondent admits that silk merchants are hesitant to buy cocoons.

They consider that there are 'thorns in every place' and their business 'lacks protection'. The transportation problem is difficult to solve and the outlook of the overseas market is bad, it is said. As a result, big cocoons are going no business at present.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Wednesday, June 4, 1941

China Providents 1,000 \$5.07
H.K. Elect. (O.) 300 5.10
A.S. Watsons 300 9.60
2,100
The total value is \$17,105.00

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE, SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Values	Nominal	WEDNESDAY 4 JUNE	Buyers	Sellers	Values	Nominal
Banks								
...	...	\$1316	...	H.K. Bank	\$1310	...	\$1316	...
...	...	270	...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	270	...
...	...	278	...	Do. (Loa. Reg.)	...	...	278	...
...	...	284	...	Chartered Bank	...	...	284	...
...	...	283	...	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	283	...
...	...	211 1/2	...	Mercantile Bks. "C"	...	...	211 1/2	...
...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	...
...	N. C. & S. Banks	16 ct.	...	...	...
Insurance								
...	...	\$220	...	Canton Insurance	...	...	\$220	...
...	Union Insurance	\$407 1/2	...	...	...
...	Underwriters	75 cts	...	...	...
...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...	...
Shipping								
...	...	\$128	...	Doyle Lines	...	...	\$128	...
...	...	88	...	Steamships	...	...	88	...
...	Indo-China (Fre.)	...	...	...	...
...	Indo-China (Def.)	...	...	...	...
...	Shells	...	...	...	...
...	Waterboats	...	...	...	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.								
...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	...
...	Providents	85	...	...	...
...	H.K. Docks (Old)	\$14.70	\$14.90	...	...
...	H.K. Docks (New)	...	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...	...
Mining								
...	Kailash	...	...	...	...
...	Raubs	...	...	...	...
...	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	...	...
Lands, Hotels and Buildings								
...	H.K. & S. Hotels	\$2.85	...	...	...
...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...	...
...	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Realities	...	...	...	...
...	Hampshire	...	...	...	...
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...
Cotton Mills								
...	Ewo (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	S'hai Cottons (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Zong Sings (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...	...
Public Utilities								
...	H.K. Tramways	\$15.95	\$16.10	...	...
...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...	...
...	Peak Trams (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Star Ferry	...	...	...	...
...	Yamat Ferry	...	...	...	...
...	China Light (O.)	\$6.70	...	...	...
...	China Light (New)	\$1.20	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electric (Old)	\$14	\$22 10	X.R.	...
...	H.K. Electric (New)	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electric (Rts)	...	...	...	...
...	Macao Electric	...	...	...	...
...	Macao Electric	...	...	...	...
...	Sundakan Light	...	...	...	...
...	Telephones (old)	...	...	...	...
...	Telephones (new)	...	...	...	...
Industrials								
...	Cald. Macg. (Ord.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	Cald. Macg. (Pref.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	Canton Tea	...	...	...	...
...	Cementa	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Govt. Loans	...	...	...	...
...	4% Loan	...	...	...	...
...	3 1/2% " (1940)	...	...	...	...
...	3 1/2% " (1940)	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous								
...	Dairy Farms	...	...	...	...
...	Entertainments	...	...	...	...
...	Constructions (old)	...	...	...	...
...	Constructions (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Lane, Crawford	...	...	...	...
...	Nanyang Tobacco	\$2.80	...	...	...
...	Sincere	\$2.20	...	...	...
...	Watsons	...	...	...	...
...	Ch. G. 5% 1925 G&Bds	...	...	...	...
...	6 1/2	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Wing On	...	...	...	...
...	S'hai Wing On	...	...	...	...
...	Vibro Piling
...	Marsmans Inv. (Lon)
...	Marsmans Inv. (H.K.)
...	Wm. Powell
...	Lights Rta.
...	Sale to Shanghai

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Lights (N.) \$1.20.
Cements \$11.
Ropes \$3.75.
Entertainments \$2.25.

SALES

Providents \$5.07/5.10.
Electrics Rts. \$11.
Telephones (O.) \$22.
Cement \$13.25.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter).—

The Stock Exchange yesterday was generally quietly steady with moderate business in gilt-edged securities at unchanged levels.

Industrials were rather less active with stores dull under the influence of clothes rationing, but iron, steel and motor stocks were firmly held.

Shipping, rubber and tin holdings were occasionally slightly higher, but Kaffirs tended to be easier, and oil was dull from Anglo-Iranian, which hardened.

Wall Street was dull.

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

JUNE 4, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale June 3	STOCKS	Last Sale June 3
Adams Express	54	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	30 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	21 1/2	Standard Brands	5 1/2
Allis Chalmers	27 1/2	Standard Gas & Elec.	1
Amer. Can.	79	Standard Oil of N.J.	37 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	36 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	4 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	1 1/2	Swift International	18 1/2
Amer. Locomotive Co.	12 1/2	Technicolor	8 1/2
Amer. Metals	17	Texas Corp.	39 1/2
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2	Trans-America Co.	5 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	13 1/2	20th Cent. Fox Film, Corp.	10 1/2
Amer. S. & W. R. Co.	40 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	10 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	15 1/2	Union Pacific	79
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	15 1/2	United Aircraft	30 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	63 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	10 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	4 1/2	United Corp.	2 1/2
Anaconda Copper	26 1/2	United Gas Improvement	6 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	27 1/2	U.S. Rubber	21 1/2
Aviation Corp.	3 1/2	U.S. Steel	54 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive Co.	13 1/2	Vanadium	24 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	31	Wairorua Aircraft	6 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	9 1/2	Walworth Co.	3 1/2
Bendix Aviation	34 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	90 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	70	Westinghouse Elec.	26 1/2
Bills & Co., E.W. (com.)	14 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	26 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	15 1/2	Chase National Bank	28 1/2
Borg-Warner	16 1/2	National City Bank	24 1/2
Briggs Mfg. Co.	18 1/2	Libby, McNeil	2 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	4		
Canadian Pacific	31		
Celanese Corp.	21		
Chesapeake & Ohio	36 1/2		
Chrysler	56 1/2		
Columbia Gas & Elec.	23		
Commercial Credit Co.	22 1/2		
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	5 1/2		
Consolidated Edison Co.	17 1/2		
Consolidated Oil	6 1/2		
Copperweld Steel	13 1/2		
Curtiss Wright (C.)	8 1/2		
Distillers Corp. (Seagrams)	13 1/2		
Douglas Aircraft	62 1/2		
Du Pont de Nemours	14 1/2		
Eagle Picher Lead	8 1/2		
Elec. Autolite Co.	26		
Elec. Bond & Share	2		
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pt.	56 1/2		
Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pt.	58 1/2		
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pt.	33		
Flintkote	12 1/2		
Gen. Electric	29 1/2		
Gen. Motors	37 1/2		
Gen. Railway Signal	13 1/2		
Gen. Tire & Rubber	10 1/2		
Goodrich (B.F.)	12 1/2		
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	16 1/2		
Great Northern Iron Ore	15		
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	26 1/2		
Great Western Sugar	24 1/2		
Inter. Nickel	24 1/2		
Inter. Paper & Power	14 1/2		
Int. Tel. & Tel. (Fon. Is.)	24		
Johns-Manville	57 1/2		
Kennecott Copper	36		
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	27 1/2		
Lockheed Aircraft	23 1/2		
Loew's Inc.	28 1/2		
Martin, Glen L. Co.	27 1/2		
Montgomery Ward	34 1/2		
National Aviation	8 1/2		
Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2		
National Distillers	19		
Nat. Power & Light	6 1/2		
National Supply Corp.	5 1/2		
New York Central	12 1/2		
Niagara Hudson Power	21		
N. American Aviation	13 1/2		
North American Co. (New)	13 1/2		
Northern Pacific	6 1/2		
Packard Motor	21		
Paramount Pictures	10 1/2		
Pennsylvania R.R.	24 1/2		
Phillips Petroleum	41 1/2		
Pullman Inc.	28		
Pure Oil	9 1/2		
Radio Corp. of Am.	34		
Reading Company, Inc.	14 1/2		
Remington Arms Co., Inc.	44 1/2		
Republic Aviation Corp.	34		
Republic Steel	18 1/2		
Reynold Tobacco "B"	28 1/2		
Schenley Distillers	10		
Shell Union Oil	14 1/2		
Socony-Vacuum Oil	9		
Southern Pacific	11 1/2		
Southern Rly \$5 pfd.	23 1/2		

LIST OF EXTRA WEEKLY STOCKS

Alaska Juneau	3 1/2	American Locomotive \$7 pt.	82 1/2
Atlantic Gulf & W. P.	27 1/2	Atlantic Refining	20 1/2
Atlas Corp.	6 1/2	Barber Asphalt Corp.	8
Bath Iron Works	22 1/2	Callahan Zinc & Lead	13 1/2
Case (J.I.)	56 1/2	Climax Molybdenum Co.	36 1/2
Commercial Solvents	9 1/2	Continental Can	32 1/2
Continental Oil	21 1/2	Corn Products Refining	45 1/2
Corn Products 7% Pfd.	17 1/2	Coty Inc.	4
Coty Int.	4	Curtis Wright Corp "A"	21 1/2
Deere Co.	21 1/2	Distillers Corp. (Seagrams)	13 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	29 1/2	Gen. American Trnpts.	37 1/2
Gen. American Trnpts.	37 1/2	Glidden Co.	14 1/2
Goodrich Co. P. (100)	10 1/2	Greyhound Corp.	10 1/2
Int. Harvester	50	Mack Trucks Inc.	26 1/2
Nat. Gypsum	6 1/2	Nat. Lead Co.	15 1/2
Nat. Lead Co.	15 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	23
Pan-Acan Airways	11 1/2	Pburgh Coke & Iron	68
Public Service of N.J.	23	Sears, Roebuck & Co.	70 1/2
Southern Rly.	12 1/2	Sperry Corp.	34
Standard Gas & Elec.	17 1/2	Standard Oil of Calif.	20 1/2
Standard Oil of Calif.	20 1/2	Stone & Webster	6
Texas Gulf Sulphur	34	Tidewater Assoc. Oil	9 1/2
Twin City Rapids	18 1/2	Union Carbide	68 1/2
United Gas (common)	9 1/2	U.S. Realty	15 1/2
U.S. Realty	15 1/2	U.S. Rubber	88
U.S. Smelting	50	Y-town Sheet & Tube	33 1/2
Timken Detroit Axle Co.	31 1/2		

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1940/41	June 2	June 4, 1941	Change
High	116.18	117.85	1.67 up
Low	111.84	116.32	4.48 up
Industrials	22.16	22.83	0.67 up
Rails	16.82	17.08	0.26 up
Utilities	16.82	16.98	0.16 up
Bonds	83.06	83.47	0.41 up
Commodity Index	48.74	48.74	0

Business Done:—420,000 shares

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, June 3 (Reuter).
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £264-7/8.
Tin, Standard, 3 Months Middle Price, £265-1/8.
Market steady, Turnover 125 tons—nearly all "3 months", where there was moderate selling, including some from smelters, which counter-balanced improved de-

LONDON GOLD

London, June 3 (Reuter).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168/-
mand. The latter and sellers reluctance strengthened "cash," which was also influenced by steady contraction in the spread between forward shipment price to New York and relative spot in New York and London.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

JUNE 4, 1941.

On London:—	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/4
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/4	
Credits 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai:—	On demand 440
On Singapore:—	On demand 52 3/4
On Japan:—	On demand 102 1/2
On India:—	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 6/8
and demand	
On New York:—	Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8
Credits, 60 days' sight 24 7/8	
On Batavia:—	On demand 45 1/4
On Paris:—	Bank Bills, on demand Nom.
Credits 4 months' sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	On demand 104 1/2
On Manila:—	On demand 48 1/4
On Bangkok:—	On demand 149 1/2
On Sterling Notes:—	Bank Buying Rate Nom.
Bar Silver per oz.	23 7/16

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, June 4 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates	Opening	Closing
London	0/3-1/4	0/3-1/4
New York	5-1/4	5-1/4
India	12	12
Japan	22-1/4	22-1/4
Paris	nominal	nominal
Hongkong	21-5/8	21-5/8
Sterling		
Opening		
Spot	0/3-9/32	0/3-19/64
June	0/3-9/32	0/3-19/64
July	0/3-9/32	0/3-19/64
U.S. Dollars		
Spot	\$5-11/32	\$5-3/8
June	5-11/32	5-3/8
July	5-11/32	5-3/8
Market:—	Quiet but steady.	
Silver Duty Rate		
The Central Bank of China's		
rate on London at 10 a.m. today		
was 1/2-1/2d.		
The Equalisation rate was 24-1/4		
per cent.		

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, June 3 (Reuter).
Govt. 3 1/2% Rupee, 95-14-0.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, June 3 (Reuter).
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/2.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, June 3.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red, after 1932)	103-11/16
Defence Loan, 3%	101 1/2
London-K'loon Rly. 5%	9
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1893 (Brit. Issue)	38
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds 1925/47	38
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan 1908	37
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan 1912	21
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	31
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes 1925 (Vickers)	7-9
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	48
Honan Rly. 5%	10
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue)	14
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	13
Lung Tsing & U. Hail Rly. 5% 1913	9
Shanghai-Nanking Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	14
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	10
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	10
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	10
Jan. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924	22 1/2
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	5
Chartered Bank	8 1/2

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, June 3, 1941.

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, July	13.24	13.10	13.22	14 up
New York Rubber, July	21.85	21.54	21.70	16 off
Chicago Wheat, July	98 1/2	98 1/2	98	1 1/2 up
Chicago Corn, July	74	73 1/2	73 1/2	1 up
New York Hides, Sept.	14.90	14.78	14.75	10 up

NEW YORK COTTON	CLOSE	CHANGE
July	13.08/08	13.22/22
October	13.25/26	13.35/35
December	13.32/33	13.43/44
January	13.28/28	13.40 N
March	13.30/31	13.44/45
May	13.27/28	13.41 N
Spot	13.58	13.77

Total sales Monday:—37,900 bales.

NEW YORK RUBBER			
July (New contract)	21.70/80	21.54/55	16 off
September (")	21.40/43	21.35/35	05 off
December (")	21.00b	21.04/05	04 up
March (")	20.40b	20.65/65	25 up

Total sales for the day:—5,730 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT			
July	96 1/2/96	98/97 1/2	1 1/2 up
September	97 1/2/97 1/2	99 1/2/99 1/2	1 1/2 up

Monday's sales:—15,502,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN			
July	73 1/2/73 1/2	73 1/2/74	1 up
September	74 1/2/74 1/2	75 1/2/75 1/2	2 up

NEW YORK HIDES			
September	14.75/75	14.85/88	10 up

Total sales for the day:—81 lots.

NEW YORK COCOA			
September	7.45 N	7.69 N	24 up

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3			
July	2.50b/51a	2.49b/51a	01 off
September	2.54b/55a	2.53b/54a	01 off

Volume of business done:—107 lots.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4			
July	81b/81a	81b/82a	unch.

Volume of business done:—Unreceived.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES			
July	11.76b/94a	11.76b/90a	unch.

NEW YORK COTTONSEED OIL			
July	10.57b/58a	10.67b/75a	10 up

NEW YORK LARD			
September	9.90/92	9.92/90	unch.

NEW YORK BLACK PEPPER			
September	6.11b/15a	6.15b/20a	04 up

The first notice day for Sept. black pepper is 26/8 and last trading day is 23/9.

N.Y. Official Silver			
N.Y.-London Cross Rate	34-3/4	34-3/4	
N.Y.-London Cross Rate	4.03-1/2	4.03-1/2	

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, June 3 (Reuter).
Silver—Small trade buying was satisfied from production quarters. Market steady. In the afternoon, market was steady with no business.

Spot, 23-7/16d.

Forward, 23-7/16d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, June 3 (Reuter).
Market—Steady. Offtake 200 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready	62-14
June 20 Settlement	62-11
July 19 Settlement	62-10

The Shensi Rural Loans Committee decided at its inaugural meeting on May 31 to extend \$5,500,000 loans in aid of agriculture and water conservancy for the current year.—(Central).

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*ONOE MARU ... Monday, 9th June

SAIGON
*TOTTORI MARU ... Friday, 13th June
*LIMA MARU ... Saturday, 28th June

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.
*ANYO MARU ... Wednesday, 11th June
*TOYOOKA MARU ... Saturday, 28th June

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore
*LISBON MARU ... Saturday, 7th June
*LIMA MARU ... Saturday, 28th June

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*MATUE MARU ... Monday, 9th June
*YAWATA MARU ... Wednesday, 11th June
*NAKO MARU ... Thursday, 26th June
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BRITISH DIVERS DIE

Three British divers lost their lives while working on the wreck of the sunken Nazi pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee off Montevideo.

The men—William Boyd, Herbert Reece, and Harry Williams—were trapped when a bulkhead door jammed under the pressure of the water.

Two other divers went down and found they had to burn a hole through a steel door to release their trapped comrades. It took them 86 minutes. By that time Boyd was dead.

Williams and Reece were placed in a decompression chamber, but Williams died after ten minutes. Reece succumbed some hours later in hospital in Montevideo.

Reece was married only five months ago. His widow is now leaving for home by air. Boyd was married four months ago. Williams leaves a wife and two children.

MATCHEK INTERRED IN KUPENICH

JERUSALEM, June 4 (Reuter).—The Croat Peasant Party Leader, M. Matchek, whose whereabouts have been unknown for some time and who was feared dead, is now interred at Kupenich, it is learned in authoritative Croat circles in the Middle East.

The Vice-President of the Party, M. Koshutich has also been arrested. Four special military tribunals were established in Croatia recently and these are now trying many cases of alleged treason to the new puppet State. "Treason" is loyalty to the original Yugoslav kingdom.

HARBOUR OFFICE NOTIFICATION

A Harbour Office notification issued yesterday states that all power driven vessels entering or leaving Hongkong harbour by the Tathong Channel must pass to the eastward of Waglan, and also keep to the eastward of a line joining Cape Collinson and Tathong Rock.

All channels between Waglan and Bluff Point (Taitam Peninsula) are closed to power driven vessels.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 5 to 11 June 1941.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Days of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Thu.	5	05 44	5.5
		17 42	4.9
Fri.	6	06 27	6.1
		19 07	5.7
Sat.	7	07 11	6.8
		20 17	6.4
Sun.	8	07 54	7.1
		21 21	6.8
Mon.	9	08 37	7.4
		22 16	7.0
Tues.	10	09 20	7.8
		23 13	7.4
Wed.	11	10 01	7.6
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54 Attempts Were Made To Invade Britain

LONDON, May 24.—Chancellor Adolf Hitler's invasion plans are an old story to British historians, who list the anticipated German programme as number fifty-five in a long list of attacks on the coastline of British Isles.

The Daily Mail thirty-two years ago published an "invasion map of England" revealing that through the centuries the United Kingdom had been invaded 54 times—twice by John Paul Jones during the Revolutionary War period when he was attacking British shipping.

Few of the attackers have been able to make their invasions stick—and even the historians agree that Invasion Number 55, if it materialises, is going to be the most difficult of the lot.

IN 1486

German soldiers landed 2,000 strong away back in 1486—but they were just part of a parade of Normans, Danes, Dutch, French, Italians and Spanish. In the words of the Daily Mail historian "Few who came to strafe remained to stay...."

The American navy captain Jones, successfully attacked the Scottish port of Whitehaven in 1778, landing his sailors to scuttle docked ships and burn part of the quays. Jones also attacked Leith.

STRANGE SORTIE

One of the strangest sorties involved the German troops when a 10-year-old boy, son of an Oxford tradesman, led them and an Irish Force in a landing at Fourday on the coast of Lancashire. He was Lambert Simnel, a puppet Pretender set up by the Yorkist Kildare to overthrow the Lancastrian Henry VII. Henry himself had won the throne by invasion with the aid of 3,000,000 Frenchmen.

It was the first and only time German soldiers had landed in England. They were defeated at the village of East Stoke, Nottinghamshire, and their general, Martin Schwarz was killed. Henry gave the would-be King Lambert a job as a turnspit in his kitchen.

In 1667, the streets of London echoed to the roar of guns from the Dutch fleet which sailed up the Thames, burned Chatham dockyard and captured one of England's finest men-of-war. But this was the 32nd invasion attempt.

ONLY SUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT

Twenty-one years later, William of Orange led the only successful large-scale invasion. He sailed into Torbay with 600 transport boats and 50 men-of-war and entered England with 13,000 men. Historians describe this as more of a response to an invitation than an invasion. There was no battle.

During Shakespeare's day there also was much talk of invasion, when Philip of Spain cast ambitious eyes toward the powerful islands north of him. He formed a sixteenth century axis with Italy and chose the south-west coast of Ireland as the point of attack. Four times—in 1579, 1580, and twice in 1601—the Spaniards came but never conquered.

Napoleon Bonaparte had similar dreams. His theory was that the best way of invading England was through Ireland or southwest

Wales. But these attempts were historic failures.

NAPOLEON'S DREAM

The last time an enemy force succeeded in making a landing on the soil of England, Scotland, Ireland or Wales was in 1798—but many conquerors still think about it. During the World War the German High Command was reported in the Frankfurter Zeitung to be making widespread naval plans for control of the North Sea, making the British Isles vulnerable to attack.

The German press also carried plans for the "invasion", citing use of flatbottomed boats, pontoons to be towed by motor launches and torpedo boats, but this manoeuvre never developed during the last war.

TAXI AFTER DRINKS

Serious allegations were made at Marylebone by a 17-year-old girl against William John Irvine, 35, foreman demolition worker, of Formosa-street, Paddington, and Robert Coulter, 28, labourer, of Harrington-road, Paddington.

The men were charged with an offence against the girl at Irvine's address.

The girl said that after being persuaded to have some ale and three whiskies and dry ginger, she went to Irvine's address by taxi-cab.

Coulter went out and locked her in a room with Irvine. Irvine turned the light off and she smacked his face. Irvine then seized her by the throat, and put on the light at her request.

TOOK OUT KNIFE

Irvine took out a knife, opened the blade, and placed it on her neck, saying he would murder her. "I told him to go ahead and do his worst," the girl continued.

"He then said I was too cute a kid to be taken off the earth by being murdered, and he put his arms round my waist. I struggled and he struck me on the face and tore my dress."

The girl described what further took place, and said she was frightened and crying, but unable to scream because Irvine had his arm over her chin.

Coulter, the girl proceeded, then came in. He hit her with his flat and dragged her to a bed.

Eventually she got out and went to a man and woman who were finding their way home in the black-out by torch-light. They gave her a cup of tea.

Irvine and Coulter denied the charge when arrested.

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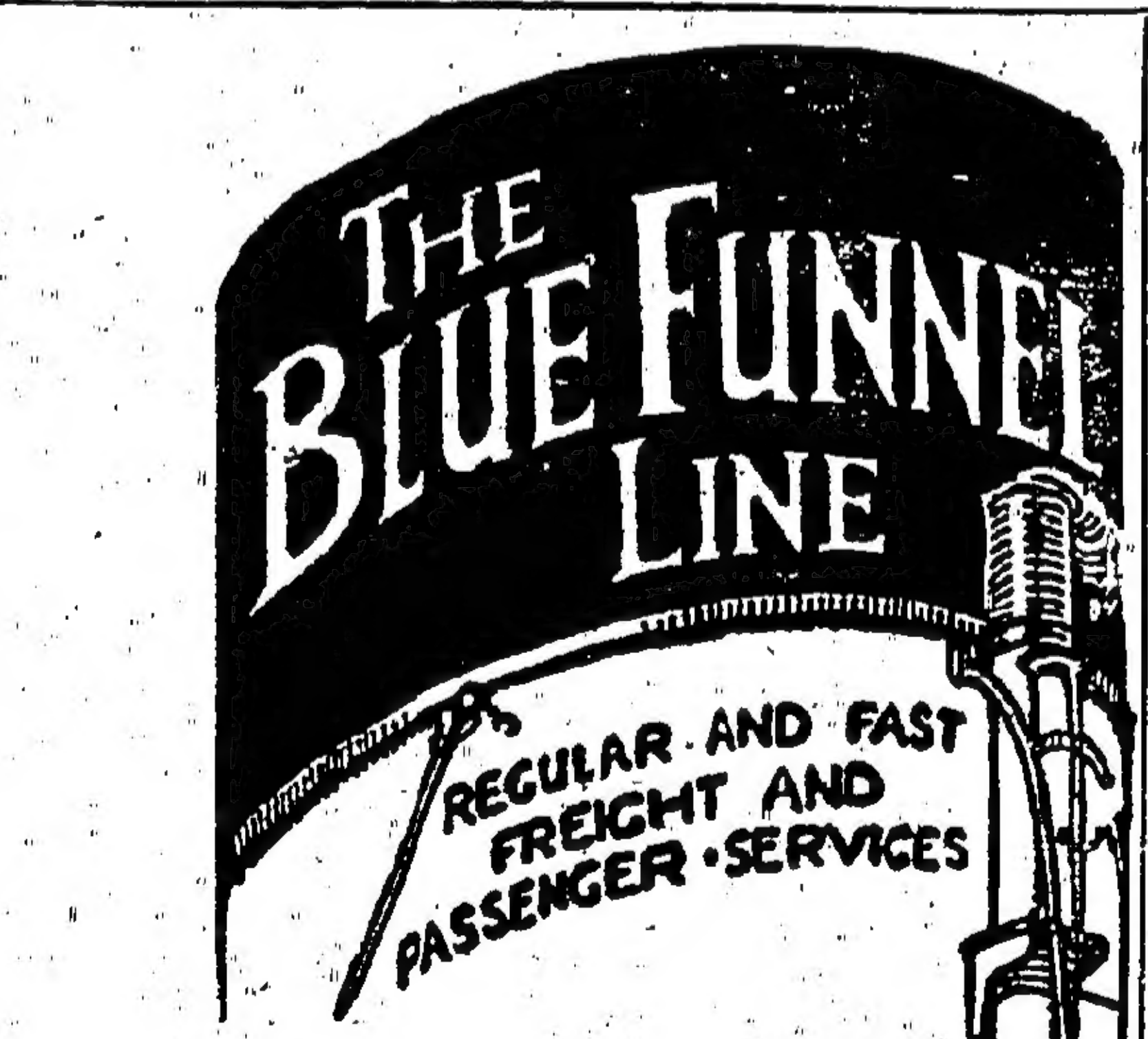
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THREE IN GRAVE**LITTLE VICTIMS OF SHELTER TRAGEDY**

Warsash, Hants.—Almost the entire population of this village on the eastern bank of the River Hamble attended the funeral of three little victims of a pathetic air-raid shelter tragedy.

The children, who were buried in one grave in the local churchyard, were Dorothy West, aged 8; Leonard, 3; and Thirza, 2, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard West, and their seven other children live at the Willows, a cottage in Fleet-End, Warsash.

Mr. West, a 33-year-old labourer, sobbed at the inquest, held in the bar-parlour of the local Jolly Farmer Inn.

He embraced his eldest son John, aged 13. John gave the alarm which led to the discovery of his two sisters and brother suffocated by fumes from a brazier in the family's air-raid shelter.

Mr. West told the South Hampshire coroner, Major H. Warner that he built the shelter, using two Andersons placed end to end, and then burrowing under a hillside until he had a refuge 21ft long.

He explained that his 32-year-old wife was then expecting her tenth baby, and, to avoid any commotion in event of an air raid, he put all the nine children to bed in the shelter each night, and slept there with them.

WRITING A LETTER
"So that the oxygen would not be used up," Mr. West continued, "I fitted the shelter with electric light and an electric fire, and we only used the brazier during the day."

Mr. West further explained that on the night of the tragedy he was writing a letter when the children asked to go to bed.

John said he would see they were all right, and he put six of the younger children to bed in the shelter.

Mr. West went on to say that later John ran into the cottage and told him something was wrong.

He himself went to the shelter, snatched up the children one by one, and carried them into the cottage.

His wife, who was in bed with her fortnight-old baby came downstairs and assisted him and the elder children to apply artificial respiration.

Dr. K. W. Mackie gave evidence that when he arrived three of the children were dead, and the other three were unconscious. The deaths were due to carbon monoxide poisoning.

Two of the children were recovering, and the other had been sent to hospital suffering from pneumonia.

In recording a verdict of "Death by misadventure," the coroner remarked that he had every sympathy with the father, who "seemed to have done his best for his children in a set of difficult circumstances."

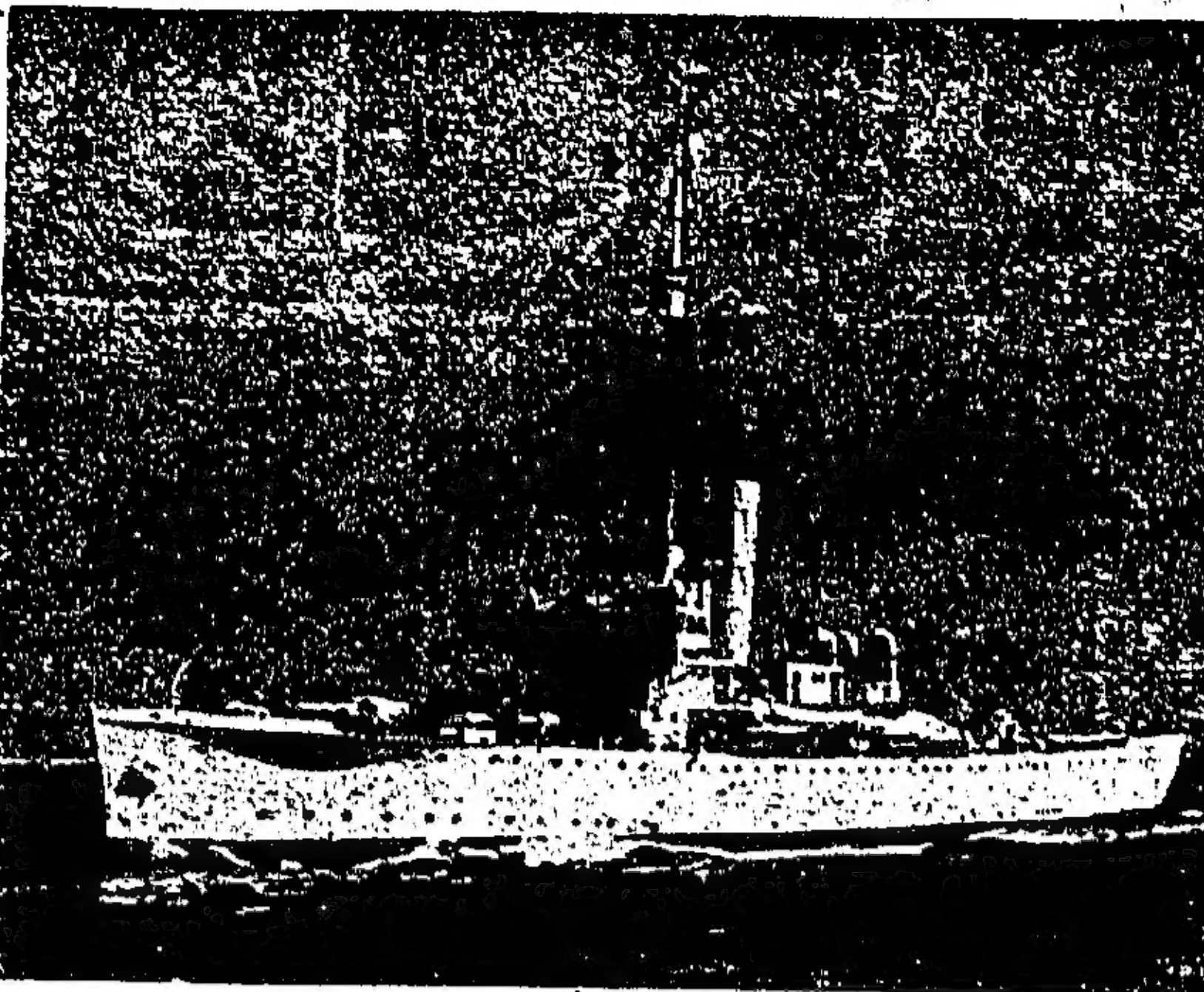
COLONY HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week ended at midnight, on May 31:—Cerebro-Spinal Fever, one case (one death); Cholera, one case (one death); Diphtheria, 27 cases (18 deaths and one imported case); Dysentery, six cases (four deaths and one imported case); Enteric Fever, 13 cases (four deaths); Measles, 18 cases (one death and three imported cases); Small-Pox, one death; Tuberculosis, 191 cases (123 deaths and two imported cases).

'Varsity Cricket XI Entertained

The Vice-Presidents of the Hongkong University Cricket Club, Prof. L. T. Ride, Dr. K. T. Loke, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues and Mr. George Hong Choy entertained the University 1st XI to a celebration dinner on Monday on the occasion of their being Senior League runners-up, 1940-41.

The dinner was held at the Golden City Restaurant. Among those present were Messrs. K. S. Oh, N. C. Sen Gupta, C. N. Matthews, W. S. Gegg, Tam Kong-ye, Joseph Tsui, J. Fenton, Dr. L. H. Tan, and Mr. Syed Mahmood.

COAST GUARD CUTTERS FOR BRITAIN

"All-Out" American aid to Britain is now a watchword in the United States and millions of dollars' worth of materials already have been transported across the Atlantic. Here is a picture of one of the ten U.S. Coast Guard cutters which are being sent to Britain under the lease-lend programme. They are being equipped with anti-aircraft and anti-submarine defences in the U.S.A.

6,400 Anzacs Missing

Of the AUSTRALIAN and NEW ZEALAND troops evacuated from CRETE, 6,400 have not been accounted for.

The Australian War Minister, MR. P. C. SPENDER, announced yesterday, according to Reuters, that out of 6,486 members of the Australian Imperial Force in Crete before the German attack began 2,887 were so far known to have been evacuated including 218 wounded.

Mr. Spender added that General Sir Thomas Blamey had not yet been able to give fuller details.

SPEEDY AMERICAN TANKS

NEW YORK, June 4 (Reuters).—"American tanks will travel much faster than foreign ones and will be more difficult to put out of action," declared Brigadier-General G. M. Barnes, Assistant Chief of Ordnance, in a speech to the Society of Automobile Engineers.

He added that so far as was known, no other country possessed vehicles capable of travelling great distances at speeds comparable with American models.

He gave as his reasons for the United States tank superiority the fact that most European tanks have about half the horsepower to the weight ratio of corresponding American vehicles.

AMUSING STORY OF DOT AND DASH RIVALS

Los Angeles.—Out of this serious business of national defence, many a news chuckle has come, but few that will equal the experience of the signalman of a United States destroyer off the Pacific Coast.

A destroyer on neutrality patrol fell in with a large fishing boat, according to a routine report out of the Eleventh Naval District offices. To check the identity of the vessel, one of the high-seas tuna fleet, the signalman spelled out with the blinker light the customary hail:

"W-h-a-t-a-n-i-p-i-t-h-a-t?" He spelled it slowly, very slowly, for some fishermen are far more proficient at fishing than at communications. When he finished his faltering flashes, the signalman didn't have long to wait for an answer.

A HURRICANE
In a hurricane of dots and dashes that challenged his own ability with code came the reply:

"American tuna boat Such-and-Such, so many days out of Galapagos Islands, so many tons of fish aboard, all well."

When he recovered from the surprise, the Navy signalman sent: "Who's at key?"

The tuna boat's answer told him that the message was sent by her navigator, a retired naval signalman. That explained the speed. The former "gob," using his training in the service, was holding down a good job as a civilian crew member.

LONDON, June 4 (Reuters).—Night assaults on Germans in Paris are becoming so frequent that a special tribunal has been set up in the city to deal with such cases. It is stated in the German-controlled Paris wireless that the tribunal, added the announcer, that the penalty for such assaults is death.

THURSTON THEORY**PLANNED ANOTHER "MOOR" ESCAPE**

Reports reaching London suggest that Britain's ace saboteur, 31-year-old Stanley Hilston Thurston, and Walter Beman, who escaped from Dartmoor, arranged a secret rendezvous somewhere in the Home Counties, says the News of the World.

The authorities believe that Thurston planned the escape of Beman and other convicts, and a special guard is being kept at the prison on the moor.

Thurston and Beman are said to have both used bicycles in their dash from the "moor."

Beman, who is 33, was missed when a working party was being taken back from the prison stables to the cells.

Beman was last seen at Yelverton, about seven miles from the prison, but the bicycle he is believed to have used was found early yesterday at Bickley Down-road, which is off the main Plymouth-Tavistock road.

Beman has a small moustache, and a big mole under the left ear.

He was a privileged prisoner and had served all but five months of his four-year sentence for garage-breaking.

THE "GRAPE VINE"
New clues in London have strengthened the suspicion that Thurston is still in the Metropolitan.

Sight, however, is not being lost of the fact that Thurston, with his skill and resources, will make every endeavour to transmit instructions to Beman on the "grape vine"—the underworld means of communication.

Special attention was being paid by Scotland Yard and police in the Southern Counties to patrolling roads leading towards London.

Suggestions have been made that Thurston may have secured an Army, R.A.F., or Naval uniform, but it is considered more likely that he would try to get an A.R.P. or A.F.S. outfit, so as to avoid any likelihood of being pulled up by Service police patrols.

TOKYO, June 4 (Reuters).—Major-General Akira Muto, Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau of the War Office, writing in the popular magazine FUJI, expresses the belief that the Sino-Japanese hostilities have reached the stage of the "last five minutes."

LISBON, June 4 (Reuters).—The daily papers in the occupied part of France will in future be reduced from four to two pages by agreement between the papers and the French Council of Ministers, states the Madrid paper, Informaciones. The price of the newspapers will be one franc.

FOREIGN MAILS

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Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Tue. 17th June K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM

No Tobacco For Germans

British authorities have refused to grant licences for French purchases of American tobacco, states the Washington correspondent of the "Evening Standard."

There is known to be a great shortage of tobacco in Germany, where the civilian population are now almost entirely deprived of it, so that the small amounts available can be reserved for the forces and the authorities are refusing to take the chance that any supplies allowed to pass through the blockade might ultimately find their way to the enemy.

EXPORTS CEASE

Inquiries were made on behalf of the French tobacco monopoly in southern Maryland, with a view to purchases from the May crop. Growers declined, however, to enter into any commitments without the prior assurance that the British would let the consignments through.

For some years France has purchased extensively on the Maryland loose leaf market, and the Maryland tobacco country until the outbreak of the war (today exports of Maryland tobacco have almost ceased, but the growers are taking the British decision philosophically).

"We hardly expected them to let it through," said a trade leader.

TOKYO, June 4 (Reuters).—The German and Italian Ambassadors, General Ott and Signor Indelli, called on the Japanese Foreign Office yesterday. General Ott had nearly an hour's talk with Mr. Matsukata while Signor Indelli had a talk of similar duration with the Vice-Minister, Mr. Ohnishi, in the evening.

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